

WASHINGTON INVESTIGATING TURF SCANDAL

Federal Prosecution Likely to Follow Inquiry Into Truthfulness of Statements in Company's Literature.

ARNOLD'S LAWYER IS RELATED TO OFFICIAL

When Company Refused to Show Books Investigators Accepted Table of Figures and Made Favorable Report

By a Staff Correspondent.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Federal prosecutions will be instituted against the promoters and other officers of the J. J. Ryan and E. J. Arnold turf investment companies, if an investigation, just set on foot by the postmaster-general, reveals the necessary evidence.

The fact that these and other concerns suspected of fraudulent use of the mails are able to carry on their business by the distribution of cleverly worded literature which enabled them to evade the postal laws, has led to a request by the attorney-general on Congress to enact such laws as will prohibit bookmaking schemes and guessing contests that may not now under the statutes be construed as lotteries.

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RECEIVER NAMED FOR ARNOLD CO.

Solomon L. Swartz was appointed receiver for E. J. Arnold & Co. by United States District Court Eastern Division of Missouri Wednesday afternoon.

He has given bond in the sum of \$50,000, and has qualified as receiver.

He will take into his possession property of the bankrupt wherever it is situated.

Sale & Sale are attorneys for creditors on whose petition the referee was appointed.

The referee has ascertained that there is from \$500 to \$10,000 in the Boatmen's Bank, and that there are horses at Memphis, New Orleans and San Francisco. It is expected that legal complications will arise in claiming property out of the state, but attorneys for the creditors are confident of getting all the assets.

ZERO WEATHER AND PROMISES

Good Dr. Hyatt Insists That Warm Days Are Coming, but the Cold Snap Remains.

With the cold wave extending from Omaha to New York, St. Louis is no worse off than many other cities, and, while it may remain cold tonight, the temperature will go up Thursday.

The cruel wind that sent the chill through the clothing at daylight is not expected to continue.

There is skating at all the parks and sleighing on the boulevards. The river is not frozen.

Dr. Hyatt says the "high," which is mainly responsible for the continued cold wave, reached St. Louis about 2 o'clock Wednesday morning and the mercury sank 6 degrees in an hour. An hour later it had dropped 9 degrees and at 7 o'clock it was again at zero.

The thermometer readings today are:

1 a. m.	20 above	11 a. m.	1 above
2 a. m.	22 above	12 m.	3 above
3 a. m.	24 above	1 p. m.	5 above
4 a. m.	26 above	2 p. m.	7 above
5 a. m.	28 above	3 p. m.	9 above
6 a. m.	30 above	4 p. m.	11 above
7 a. m.	32 above	5 p. m.	13 above
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9 a. m.	36 above	7 p. m.	17 above
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11 a. m.	40 above	9 p. m.	21 above
12 m.	42 above	10 p. m.	23 above
1 p. m.	44 above	11 p. m.	25 above
2 p. m.	46 above	12 m.	27 above
3 p. m.	48 above	1 p. m.	29 above
4 p. m.	50 above	2 p. m.	31 above
5 p. m.	52 above	3 p. m.	33 above
6 p. m.	54 above	4 p. m.	35 above
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8 p. m.	58 above	6 p. m.	39 above
9 p. m.	60 above	7 p. m.	41 above
10 p. m.	62 above	8 p. m.	43 above
11 p. m.	64 above	9 p. m.	45 above
12 m.	66 above	10 p. m.	47 above
1 p. m.	68 above	11 p. m.	49 above
2 p. m.	70 above	12 m.	51 above
3 p. m.	72 above	1 p. m.	53 above
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3 p. m.	552 above	1 p. m.	533 above
4 p. m.	554 above	2 p. m.	535 above
5 p. m.	556 above	3 p. m.	537 above
6 p. m.	558 above	4 p. m.	539 above
7 p. m.	560 above	5 p. m.	541 above
8 p. m.	562 above	6 p. m.	543 above
9 p. m.	564 above		

SHEEDY LIKENS RYAN TO MORGAN

Famous Gambler Discusses
Turf Companies and Other
People's Money.

TWO WAYS TO GET RICH. BY CHANCE OR CHEATING

Seeker of Concession for Oriental Clients Says He Would Rather Win From Rich Men Than From Poor.

Patrick F. Sheedy, the best-known gambler in the world, late of Egypt, arrived in St. Louis this morning to apply for a World's Fair concession for clients in Turkey and Smyrna. Mr. Sheedy says they wish to exhibit Oriental rugs and "other things," and that he may remain here several weeks in their interest.

While not ready to explain in detail the nature of the concession he desires, Mr. Sheedy, always affable and interesting, was willing to discuss at length certain phases of the St. Louis "get-rich-quick" imbroglio. "Pat" Sheedy, as the sporting world knows him, is particularly qualified to discuss gambling subjects, having been for several years proprietor of the famous Casino at Cairo, Egypt, and having a close familiarity with the modus operandi of Monte Carlo. Incidentally, Mr. Sheedy is known to fame as the manager of Mr. Sullivan, pugilist, in the palmy days of "John L.," and also as the man who effected the restoration of the famous Gainsborough painting, "Duchess of Devonshire."

"There are only two ways to make fortunes these days," observed Mr. Sheedy to the Post-Dispatch. "They are by chance and by cheating."

"Both the proprietors of the St. Louis get-rich-quick concerns and their customers tried to get rich by chance."

"Square Gamblers
Make Most Money."
"If the proprietors tried to get rich by cheating, too, I don't know it. I never knock."

"Gamblers once in a while may cheat, but not the best gamblers. There's more money coming to the gambler who is on the square."

"But suppose these concerns were fakes, for the sake of argument. Aren't there fakes in all business? Aren't there crooked lawyers and doctors and ministers as well as crooked gamblers?"

"There's not much difference between an honest man and a crook, after all. I don't think there's 10 per cent difference between the most honest man on earth and the biggest thief."

"It's merely a question of policy with both of them."

"I don't know Arnold or Ryan or these other fellows out here, but I've heard a lot about Ryan. What I've heard about him in the East has impressed me that he is a smart man—smarter than the people who gave him their money. I don't mean anything by that except that if they were smarter than Ryan he'd be giving them their money instead."

"But Ryan, for example, is trying to make a million or so in his turf scheme. I'm pretty near the same as J. Pierpont Morgan in his schemes. The only difference between Ryan and Morgan is in Ryan's favor."

"Morgan is a sure-thing gambler. Ryan takes a chance. They tell me he'd be the biggest sport I ever saw in any part of the world, and I've been all over it. But Ryan and Morgan and Arnold and Gates all play the same system. That means the O. P. M. system. I call it the O. P. M. system. It's the same system the girls play at Monte Carlo."

"Morgan always plays the O. P. M. system. I have sympathy for the poor people who are reported to have lost money with Arnold and Ryan and other St. Louis speculative concerns."

"But for those who could afford to lose I have none."

"There's no false modesty about Patrick. He's for getting all the money from rich men he can."

"If anybody can show me any scheme where I can get some of the rich men's money, I want to buy my way into it at once."

"In on the square now, but I'm willing to shift if anybody can show me that I'll be enough the gambler by doing so."

"But I wouldn't want to be in these St. Louis concerns right now—that is, not as a proprietor, for there is no danger of Patrick going in as a depositor."

"While my impression of Ryan is favorable, and I would take his word as man to man in a business transaction, I have no money for his schemes. Patrick has schemes of his own. He has more schemes than money, and is looking for more money for his own scheme. He has none for anybody else's scheme. And besides, I never go into partnership with anybody. I do all my business by myself."

"But, as I was going to say, I wouldn't want to be in these St. Louis concerns, for the money they get isn't mine."

"It isn't mine money," Mr. Sheedy repeated softly.

"If lawyers or doctors or ministers gave up the money, it would be all right. I wouldn't mind taking it for a minute. But not from poor people."

Mr. Sheedy says "Texas Tom" Walsh is the only one of the St. Louis turf promoters that he knows personally.

"Tom's all right," the former Egyptian remarked, "he wouldn't take anybody else's money."

"Of course," he added, "if I only natural thought that Ryan and the other fellows should take a little better off the bread for themselves."

"But as I said before, all men are pretty near alike, no matter how they get the money."

"The honest man, as a rule, just wears a number 7 hat and the thief about a 6 1/2. The result is the honest man lives in luxury and the thief usually lands behind the bars."

Mr. Sheedy is in excellent health and says he never felt better in his life. He is now past the half century mark.

When asked if he ages these days he replies: "I'm a full cask."

By this he means 52.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. This signature *B.W. Howe* on every box. 25c.

CABANNE ASKS GOOD ROADS.
Tuesday Morning Fire Prompts North Cabanne Citizens to Act.
Marion Fuqua, chief of the volunteer fire brigade at North Cabanne, is suffering considerably from having his feet frost-bitten early Tuesday morning during the fire at 600 Spencer avenue. Mr. Fuqua, despite his injuries, is at his desk at the Mercantile Trust Co., where he has charge of the real estate department.
Mr. Fuqua was very vehement Wednesday in his denunciation of the legality of the people and county officials of North Cabanne in not having the roads there put in traversable shape. "At the fire Tuesday," he said, "3000 loss was sustained simply because the fire company from the Arcade building could not get within a mile of the fire. We are going to call a meeting of the citizens and devise some means of having the roads fixed up and a local fire company installed."

Viati woman's way to health; booklet free by mail or at 405 Mermont-Jaccard building.

OFFICER PREVENTS SUICIDE.
Husband's Dissipation Tempts Mrs. Ida Baurlin to End Life.
Mrs. Ida Baurlin, aged 25, living at 2721 Osage street, attempted suicide Tuesday afternoon by taking laudanum, but was prevented by Officer Kriekler. She was despondent because her husband had been drinking since Saturday.
Tuesday afternoon she entered the barber shop of John Will, 4003 South Broadway, and asked for a razor, which was refused. She then asked for 2 cents, which was given. She remarked that she intended to commit suicide.
She bought the laudanum at Bernard Otto's drug store, 3308 South Broadway, but before she could swallow it Officer Kriekler took it from her. She is now at the home of a friend, Miss Minnie Preisinger, 221 Osage street.

Biggest Organ for Fair.—Acting President Corwin H. Spencer made a contract Wednesday with a Los Angeles organ company to install for the World's Fair the largest pipe organ ever made. The instrument will have 140 stops.

BEST KNOWN GAMBLER IN THE WORLD SEEKS WORLD'S FAIR CONCESSIONS



PATRICK F. SHEEDY.

SOME OF GAMBLER SHEEDY'S LATEST SNAPPY SAYINGS

(Extracts from his interview today.)

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The word of a gambler is better than that of a "squealer," any time and anywhere.

John W. Gates is the biggest sport I ever saw anywhere in the world. Gates and Morgan and Ryan all play the same system. That's the O. P. M. system. The initials indicate other people's money.

I would take Ryan's word as man to man, but I have no money for Ryan's schemes. "Patrick" has more schemes than money of his own.

Fortunes are made by chance and cheating nowadays, not by ability and industry.

In England I would have to build a mansion to hold my money if I could work a scheme like Arnold and Ryan have been working in St. Louis. They believe everything you tell them over there.

gan in his schemes. The only difference between Ryan and Morgan is in Ryan's favor.

"Morgan is a sure-thing gambler. Ryan takes a chance. They tell me he'd be the biggest sport I ever saw in any part of the world, and I've been all over it. But Ryan and Morgan and Arnold and Gates all play the same system. That means the O. P. M. system. I call it the O. P. M. system. It's the same system the girls play at Monte Carlo."

"Morgan always plays the O. P. M. system. I have sympathy for the poor people who are reported to have lost money with Arnold and Ryan and other St. Louis speculative concerns."

"But for those who could afford to lose I have none."

"There's no false modesty about Patrick. He's for getting all the money from rich men he can."

"If anybody can show me any scheme where I can get some of the rich men's money, I want to buy my way into it at once."

"In on the square now, but I'm willing to shift if anybody can show me that I'll be enough the gambler by doing so."

"But I wouldn't want to be in these St. Louis concerns right now—that is, not as a proprietor, for there is no danger of Patrick going in as a depositor."

"While my impression of Ryan is favorable, and I would take his word as man to man in a business transaction, I have no money for his schemes. Patrick has schemes of his own. He has more schemes than money, and is looking for more money for his own scheme. He has none for anybody else's scheme. And besides, I never go into partnership with anybody. I do all my business by myself."

"But, as I was going to say, I wouldn't want to be in these St. Louis concerns, for the money they get isn't mine."

"It isn't mine money," Mr. Sheedy repeated softly.

"If lawyers or doctors or ministers gave up the money, it would be all right. I wouldn't mind taking it for a minute. But not from poor people."

Mr. Sheedy says "Texas Tom" Walsh is the only one of the St. Louis turf promoters that he knows personally.

"Tom's all right," the former Egyptian remarked, "he wouldn't take anybody else's money."

"Of course," he added, "if I only natural thought that Ryan and the other fellows should take a little better off the bread for themselves."

"But as I said before, all men are pretty near alike, no matter how they get the money."

"The honest man, as a rule, just wears a number 7 hat and the thief about a 6 1/2. The result is the honest man lives in luxury and the thief usually lands behind the bars."

Mr. Sheedy is in excellent health and says he never felt better in his life. He is now past the half century mark.

When asked if he ages these days he replies: "I'm a full cask."

By this he means 52.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. This signature *B.W. Howe* on every box. 25c.

CABANNE ASKS GOOD ROADS.
Tuesday Morning Fire Prompts North Cabanne Citizens to Act.
Marion Fuqua, chief of the volunteer fire brigade at North Cabanne, is suffering considerably from having his feet frost-bitten early Tuesday morning during the fire at 600 Spencer avenue. Mr. Fuqua, despite his injuries, is at his desk at the Mercantile Trust Co., where he has charge of the real estate department.
Mr. Fuqua was very vehement Wednesday in his denunciation of the legality of the people and county officials of North Cabanne in not having the roads there put in traversable shape. "At the fire Tuesday," he said, "3000 loss was sustained simply because the fire company from the Arcade building could not get within a mile of the fire. We are going to call a meeting of the citizens and devise some means of having the roads fixed up and a local fire company installed."

Viati woman's way to health; booklet free by mail or at 405 Mermont-Jaccard building.

OFFICER PREVENTS SUICIDE.
Husband's Dissipation Tempts Mrs. Ida Baurlin to End Life.
Mrs. Ida Baurlin, aged 25, living at 2721 Osage street, attempted suicide Tuesday afternoon by taking laudanum, but was prevented by Officer Kriekler. She was despondent because her husband had been drinking since Saturday.
Tuesday afternoon she entered the barber shop of John Will, 4003 South Broadway, and asked for a razor, which was refused. She then asked for 2 cents, which was given. She remarked that she intended to commit suicide.
She bought the laudanum at Bernard Otto's drug store, 3308 South Broadway, but before she could swallow it Officer Kriekler took it from her. She is now at the home of a friend, Miss Minnie Preisinger, 221 Osage street.

Biggest Organ for Fair.—Acting President Corwin H. Spencer made a contract Wednesday with a Los Angeles organ company to install for the World's Fair the largest pipe organ ever made. The instrument will have 140 stops.

FROM ROCKES TO FAR MAINE

The Whole Country in the
Grasp of Below-Zero
Weather.

BITTER COLD ALONG THE GREAT LAKES

In Wisconsin the Mercury Shows 20 Degrees Under the Mark and the States of New York and Pennsylvania Fall Not Far Behind.

Today it is biting cold from the Rocky Mountains to Maine.

In many cities the mercury shows it to be the coldest day of the year. In the Northwest and along the great lakes the weather began to moderate last evening, but after midnight a cold wave came in from the North, and this morning was many degrees colder than yesterday.

Here are the figures showing the markings of thermometers in the cold belt at 6 a. m. today:

Topeka, Kan. 7 below
St. Paul, Minn. 12 below
Chicago, Ill. 7 below
New York, N. Y. 10 below
New Haven, Conn. 10 below
Pittsburg, Pa. 6 below
Towns in Pennsylvania, 6 to 14 below

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GILL'S LIFE LIKE FICTION

Mysterious Woman Witness Furnishes Circuit Attorney Folk With a Portrait and Valuable Information.

Circuit Attorney Folk learned the life story of Lumpkin A. Gill, otherwise known as Gill A. Lumpkin, the St. Louis manager of Arnold & Co.

A picture of Gill was taken to Attorney Folk late Tuesday afternoon by a handsomely dressed woman, who was before the grand jury for an hour. She was the last witness to go before that body for the day.

The woman was 35 years old, handsomely dressed, and after testifying before the grand jury asked for the return of the picture she had brought, but Mr. Folk told her to get it later. Mr. Folk even refused to let the police department have use of the picture to make a copy. It was after the woman had left that Mr. Folk remarked to the wide history of Gill and compared it with the fiction.

THINK IT OVER.

Something you can see in any Restaurant or Cafe.

A physician puts the query: Have you never noticed in any large restaurant at lunch or dinner time the large number of hearty, vigorous old men at the tables; men whose ages run from 60 to 80 years; many of them bald and all perhaps gray, but none of them feeble or infirm?

Perhaps the spectacle is so common as to have escaped your observation or comment, but nevertheless it is an object lesson which means something.

If you will notice what these hearty old fellows are eating you will observe that they are not munching bran crackers nor gingerly picking their way through a menu card of new fangled health foods; on the contrary they seem to prefer a juicy roast of beef, a properly turned loin of mutton, and even the deadly broiled lobster is not altogether ignored.

The point of all this is that a vigorous old age depends upon good digestion and plenty of wholesome food and not upon dieting and an endeavor to live upon bran crackers.

There is a certain class of food cranks who seem to believe that meat, coffee, and many other good things are rank poisons, but these cadaverous, sickly looking individuals are a walking condemnation of their own theories.

The matter in a nutshell is that if the stomach secretes the natural digestive juices in sufficient quantity any wholesome food will be properly digested; if the stomach does not do so, and certain foods cause distress one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after each meal will remove all difficulty because they supply just what every weak stomach lacks, pepsin, hydrochloric acid, diastase and nux.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets do not act upon the bowels and in fact are not strictly a medicine, as they act almost entirely upon the food eaten, digesting it thoroughly and thus giving a much needed rest and giving an appetite for the next meal.

Of people who travel nine out of ten use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, knowing them to be perfectly safe to use at any time and also having found out by experience that they are a safeguard against indigestion in any form, and eating as they have to, at all hours and all kinds of food, the traveling public for years have pinned their faith to Stuart's Tablets.

All druggists sell them at 50 cents for full sized packages and any druggist from Maine to California, if his opinion were asked, will say that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the most popular and successful remedy for any stomach trouble.

A Special Exhibit of Water Colors

WE Announce to the public and lovers of art in St. Louis an exhibition of original water colors direct from the famous galleries of

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New York. You are cordially invited to attend. The works in this collection are by the most famous artists of this country and Europe.

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CROUP CURED

Croup attacks a child without warning and needs immediate attention or it may prove serious, even fatal. If you notice any symptoms of croup, give baby a small dose of

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup

It will relieve it instantly and cure it in a night. No danger from coughing after you have given baby one or two doses.

Every mother should keep a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup in the house to be prepared for sudden attacks of croup.

ONE BOTTLE CURED HER BOY.

Mrs. Mary Olson, of 589 Clinton Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "My little boy, three years old, caught the croup and I concluded to try Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, as I have more faith in it than in doctors. He was soon relieved after a few doses only, and entirely cured of the croup and bronchial trouble after having taken one bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. When I have this reliable remedy in the house I feel safe, and since it cured him I always keep a bottle in the house."

AVOID SUBSTITUTES. Do not accept some cheap imitation that contains harmful drugs. Insist on getting "DR. BULL'S." Price 25c. See that the "BULL'S HEAD" is on the package.

PACKERS LOSE

IN U. S. COURT

Judge Grosscup, of Chicago, Enjoins the "Beef Trust" Operations.

COMBINATION IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE HE DECLARES

Agreement Not to Bid Against Each Other for Cattle, Fix Prices and Restrict Shipments Held to Be Unlawful.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—The demurrer of the packers in the so-called "beef trust" case was overruled by Judge Grosscup in the United States Circuit Court today, and a motion granted for a temporary injunction. "There can be no doubt," said Judge Grosscup, "that the agreement of the defendants to refrain from bidding against each other in the purchase of cattle, is a combination in restraint of trade; so also the agreement to bid up prices to stimulate shipments, intending to cease from bidding when the shipments arrived."

"The same result follows when we turn to the combination of defendants to best prices upon and restrict the quantities of meat shipped to their agents or their customers."

"Such agreements can be nothing less than restraint upon competition and, therefore, a combination in restraint of trade; and, thus viewed, the petition, as an entirety, makes out a case under the Sherman act."

"It may be true that the law of enforcing any decree under the petition is beset with difficulties and that a literal enforcement may result in vexatious interference with defendants' affairs. But, in the inquiry before me, I am not at liberty to stop before such considerations."

"The Sherman act, as interpreted by the supreme court, is the law of the land and to the law as it stands, both court and people must yield obedience."

"The demurrer is overruled and the motion for preliminary injunction granted."

The packers did not announce what their next step would be. They have 20 days within which to make up their minds. If they dispute the facts upon which Judge Grosscup based his decision, the matter will go before master-in-chancery, and he argued again before Judge Grosscup.

The packers, however, may decide to take an appeal in order to hasten the final adjudication of the case. It is not thought likely that they will let the matter go by default and thus make the injunction permanent.

ROBERT LEE BOUND OVER.

He Is Accused of Bigamy by Christina Griefv.

Robert Lee, charged with bigamy, was bound over to the grand jury after a preliminary hearing in the Court of Criminal Correction Tuesday afternoon.

Lee was arrested a week ago on the complaint of Christina Griefv, 1738 Carr street, who claims that Lee married her last August.

Lee married Miss Annie Johnson, who now lives in South Third street, Nov. 19, 1901, at 88, Peter and Paul's church.

In August of last year Miss Griefv claims that she was married to Lee at the same church. He claims that the second ceremony was a mock marriage and his marriage certificate was altered to make Miss Griefv believe there had been a marriage.

In default of \$2000 bond, Lee is in jail.

Curfew Meeting.—The second regular meeting of the St. Louis Curfew Association will be held at 8 o'clock tonight at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Grand and Franklin avenues.

COLE YOUNGER

WILL WEST SHOW

The Former Bandit Is to Be Manager and Frank James Director of Arena.

PURCHASE MADE OF THE BUCKSKIN BILL OUTFIT.

Younger Says He Will Not Appear in Any Performance, and Means to Keep Within the Conditions of His Minnesota Pardon.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. LEE'S SUMMIT, Mo., Feb. 18.—"Yes, it's true that I am going to run a wild west show," said Cole Younger this morning. "But I am not in partnership with Frank James. I signed a contract with Val Hoffman of Chicago here Monday morning. He, with another man, whose name I can't give, put up the money to buy Buckskin Bill's outfit from H. E. Jones of Chicago. I am the real owner, for the money was advanced by me. I shall be manager and treasurer."

"Frank James is not a partner in the show. We are trying to get him to join the show as a manager. He probably will be paid a salary. That is one of the things that I saw him about in Independence the other night. You will have to see him about whether or not he is going to join the show."

"I shall not show myself in the arena at all," continued Younger. "I do not want to 'transgress the terms' of my pardon, and I shall attend strictly to the business of the show. I am just giving it to you as a manager. I have a perfect right to do so. I have consulted my attorney and I see nothing to prevent my going into the business. It is legitimate and ought to be a money-maker. I shall be in Kansas City Friday, I think, to wind up the loose ends of the deal. I have tried to keep this matter secret and told some stories to do it, but it got through my friends here and why I lost my \$100 that I would get through Kansas City without being recognized by reporters."

Cole Younger has been greatly averse to the publicity of his doings. He is much more put out with his friends for letting his latest move be known. He was approached on the move by Val Hoffman and H. E. Jones, who met him in Kansas City Sunday night and came to Lee's Summit to see him. After a long conversation with the bandit, Younger said that he had been in the Missouri sales agent of the Hoffman Brothers Co. of Chicago, where Val Hoffman had been a partner. Hoffman had been reputed to be very wealthy, and had agreed to keep the show from running out of funds. It could not be learned in Lee's Summit who the silent backer of Younger is.

Younger has been kept busy during the day with a large amount of mail that has been sent him through the post office.

The season will open in Chicago in May for a week, after which a tour will be made of Wisconsin and other Northwestern states.

PERPETUAL LICENSE MEASURE

St. Louis Retail Liquor Dealer Explains the Purpose of the Bill.

Rev. Father J. T. Coffey, William H. O'Brien and others went to Jefferson City Wednesday morning to make a fight against Senator Dave Nelson's bill to authorize the perpetual saloon license petition.

The bill passed the Senate a few days ago and will come up shortly in the House. It is opposed by Father Coffey and leading Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, because, in their opinion, it will tend to make the retention of saloon licenses possible in the face of charges against the saloon keeper.

"Father Coffey," said an Olive street saloon keeper to the Post-Dispatch, "has a mistaken idea of what this bill is. The bill is no license measure, but a measure to make perpetual the petition from property owners to procure a license, so that the necessary men will be relieved of the trouble and expense of going every year to the proper owner in the block and getting their signatures."

"Under the provisions of this measure, if passed, will saloons to renew their license twice a year, just as at present, but the original petition, containing a majority of the signatures of the property owners on his block, will stand for successful renewals."

"Under the present system many of the saloon men are held up by property owners in order to get signatures. Suppose, for instance, that a man needs the name of just one more property owner on his petition to make up the number. He goes to a property owner and asks for his signature. 'I'll sign your petition if you'll pay my taxes,' says the owner. That is the way the saloon keeper, and he sometimes finds that he has to pay \$200 or more in taxes for the saloon license."

"As it is now, there are saloon men in St. Louis who dare not present their petition to certain property owners on their blocks for fear that these men will refuse to sign the petition for license the next time it is presented."

"Furthermore, the present system of annual petitions entails an expense upon the saloon keeper for which there seems no warrant. He is asked to sign a petition each year and pay the excise commissioner's office a fee of \$1 for swearing each time. This is in addition to the fee provided for by law for the issuance of a license."

"Should this bill pass and our petitions be declared perpetual tomorrow, our saloons could be closed the next day by Excise Commissioner Seibert and our licenses revoked, just the same as at present, for proper cause. That is all there is to the bill."

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Pharmacy Alumni Officers.

The alumni association of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy elected officers Tuesday evening at the college building. Twenty-first and Locust streets. A banquet followed. The officers are: President, Edward H. Voelkel; first vice-president, Carl Schneider; second vice-president, Chas. W. Stockhausen; recording secretary, Dr. W. Wolf; treasurer, Charles Fietner; registrar, Henry Kaletmann; members of the executive board, Dr. O. E. Claus and William H. Lamont.

MRS. FULTON IS

SHEDDING NO TEARS

Woman Who Attached Broilaski Company Is Cheerful Philosopher.

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By Winning Her Suit She Will Be Compensated on the Basis of \$1.75 a Week for Her Services.

The court of appeals affirmed the finding of the St. Francis county circuit court Wednesday morning in the case of Jennie M. Shannon against F. M. Carter, administrator of the estate of her deceased father, John C. Shannon.

The plaintiff sued the estate for 832 weeks' services, and payment was fought by the other heirs.

Shannon was a school teacher. Her father was a well-to-do farmer. There were a number of other children.

The evidence showed that because of the precarious health of her father and mother, Miss Shannon was the mainstay of the family. She was its head and gave up teaching school part of the time in order to care for her parents and the farm.

She was so much interested in taking care of the place that she frequently fed the stock and did the heavy household duties as well as directed the hired help.

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Just how a negative result is more weighty than a positive one, when such has been subjected to only a limited number of tests, is a question for laymen, but for the "profession," apparently, the cure has already saved many lives.
It is asserted that tests show that formalin is only a temporary check to the growth of germs and in the long run proves an injury to the patient.
Rabbits infected with blood poison germs and subjected to formalin treatment died several hours sooner than rabbits similarly infected and not placed under the treatment.
Dr. Park and Dr. W. A. Payne, both bacteriologists of the health department, began experiments soon after the first cure of blood poisoning by Dr. Barrow was announced.
Two dozen rabbits were inoculated at the same time with the germs of blood poison—the streptococcus germ. An hour later, a dose of the formalin was injected into the blood of the rabbits. In every case save one the dozen rabbits on which formalin had been used died from 12 to 24 hours before the others.
The rabbits on which the formalin treatment was tried showed symptoms of temporary relief. It was declared that the result of the experiments show that, while formalin coagulated the bacteria and stopped their growth for a time, it injured the blood and seriously impaired the cells. The formalin also lessened the power of resistance to the bacteria.

BECOMING A MOTHER

Is an ordeal which all women approach with indescribable fear, for nothing compares with the pain and horror of child-birth. The thought of the suffering and danger in store for her, robs the expectant mother of all pleasant anticipations of the coming event, and casts over her a shadow of gloom which cannot be shaken off. Thousands of women have found that the use of **Mother's Friend** during pregnancy robs confinement of all pain and danger, and insures safety to life of mother and child. This scientific liniment is a god-send to all women at the time of their most critical trial. Not only does **Mother's Friend** carry women safely through the perils of child-birth, but its use gently prepares the system for the coming event, prevents "morning sickness," and other discomforts of this period. Sold by all druggists at \$1.00 per bottle. Book containing valuable information free.

The Bradford Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.

CAMEL RIDE FOR EVERYBODY

George Pangello, Original Streets of Cairo Man, Gets World's Fair Concession.

George Pangello has been granted the first amusement concession of the World's Fair. He will present the streets of Cairo on a much grander and larger scale than he did at Chicago in 1893. The Egypt-St. Louis Exposition Co. was incorporated Tuesday with \$125,000 fully paid up stock. The incorporators are George Pangello, Charles Allen, Henry Allen, Edward Buder and G. A. Buder. Pangello will depart for the Orient as soon as possible for the purpose of getting accurate dimensions and other data concerning the bazaars of Egypt. He will be duly accredited to Turkey and Egypt as honorary commissioner of the World's Fair.

COURT OF APPEALS.

The Court of Appeals handed down the following decisions Wednesday morning:
By Judge Bond:
Cora L. De Fox, respondent, vs. Anthony Williams, appellant, St. Louis; affirmed.
W. C. Ellis et al., etc., respondent, vs. Wm. Walker et al., appellant, Webster, reversed and remanded.
Mrs. Dora Case, appellant, vs. Correll Zinc and Lead Mining Co., respondent, Greene; affirmed.
By Judge Brown:
Missouri, appellant, vs. Fred Jacobs et al., respondent, Dent; affirmed.
George W. Warner, respondent, vs. Mary Donahue et al., appellant, St. Louis; affirmed.
Fred Krupp et al., respondent, vs. St. Louis and San Francisco Railway Co., appellant, Philadelphia; affirmed in part, reversed in part.
Wm. Grayson, respondent, vs. St. Louis Transit Co., appellant, city, reversed in part; affirmed in part.
By Judge Dyer:
J. J. Brown, respondent, vs. Jesse Reynolds, etc., appellant, Butler; reversed.
Ellen O. Hatt, appellant, vs. The Fraternal Union, respondent, Green; affirmed.
Emma Anderson, appellant, vs. J. N. Fly, administrator, etc., respondent, Lawrence; affirmed.
Theodore Weber, respondent, vs. Dennis Lane et al., appellant, St. Louis; reversed.
S. G. Southwick, respondent, vs. Lucile Southwick, appellant, Oregon; appeal dismissed.
By Judge Good:
John Metz, defendant in error, vs. Charles Blatt, administrator, etc., plaintiff in error, Cape Girardeau Co., St. Louis; affirmed.
State of Missouri, respondent, vs. Ed Back, appellant, Kansas; affirmed.
State ex rel. L. W. Love, appellant, vs. John P. Harrison et al., respondent, Illinois; affirmed.
By Judge Gooch:
W. H. Hines, respondent, vs. W. A. Meeks, appellant, New Madrid; affirmed.
R. C. Marshall, respondent, vs. S. H. Cover, appellant, Howell; affirmed.
State ex rel. Jackson, etc., appellant, vs. Town of Mansfield et al., respondent, Wright; affirmed.
R. F. May, respondent, vs. J. D. Moore, Jr., appellant, St. Charles; affirmed.
City of Springfield, ex rel. W. R. Undergraff, respondent, vs. F. T. Mills et al., appellant, Greene; affirmed.
Mutual Life Insurance of New York, plaintiff, vs. Little Richards, respondent, Jesse Reynolds, appellant, Butler; affirmed.
G. H. Knooper, appellant, vs. John Ahman et al., respondent, Green; affirmed.
P. M. Lead et al., appellant, vs. J. J. Williams et al., respondent, Stoddard; appeal dismissed.
Van Buren County Savings Bank, appellant, vs. J. H. Mills, respondent, Clark; affirmed.
Jessie Shannon, respondent, vs. F. M. Carter, administrator, etc., appellant, St. Francis; affirmed.

LATEST THING IN ENGAGEMENTS



The cartoonist's idea of the fashion set by E. Frank Phillips, who sued Mrs. Holland for return of presents he gave her when they were engaged.

PRAISE AND BLAME FOR MRS. HOLLAND

The case of Mrs. Holland, who was sued for the return of her engagement presents, has attracted much attention from women. The Post-Dispatch has received letters, bearing on the case, in which are expressed widely varying views of the point at issue, namely, should a man recover presents given to a girl as love tokens.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
The piece in yesterday's paper about the widow who kept her presents her lover had given her while they were engaged interests me. What right had this Mrs. Holland to keep jewelry and other gifts that had been pledges of affection? After she ceased to care for him, if she ever did care, she had no right to those things. And if she had a spark of pride she would not have kept them.
There are lots of girls who just jolly their steady along to work them for gifts. They throw the goodness over after awhile and when he meets a girl he really cares for he hasn't got anything to give her and, no money saved up either.
Why, a girl I know of just cleaned my friend out of all his savings. The men ought to have the right by law to get back their presents.
EVANGELINE D.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
Good for Mrs. Holland. The stand she took in not returning presents to her lover is all right. There are too many fellows around who make show of love and win a girl's favor by them. Then they lose interest and begin keeping company with another girl they try to wheedle her into giving back the jewelry to give to another girl. Why, believe some of those fellows make one set of presents to avoid another a dozen gifts. All one girl gets is a look at them and the next day she is out of them. Girls ought to stand up for their rights.
STELLA DARWIN.

\$20.00—Mardi-Gras—\$20.00.
Account of increased travel Illinois Central will run through sleeping cars Feb. 17-22 to New Orleans on its fast night train, the New Orleans Limited, as well as on its fast noon train, the New Orleans Special.

Lost the Dinner.

Harbor Commissioner Joseph P. Whyte will pay for a dinner that will be enjoyed by the members of the Board of Public Improvements, Commissioner Whyte recently left Street Commissioner Varrelman the big fish for dinner for warehouse would not be less than \$10.00. When the bids were opened it was found that the lowest was only \$7.15.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

They Left Their Money.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
I see among signers of an agreement to "leave our money with Mr. Arnold," this morning at the Benoit building, "Mr. E. Marx," in bold letters, am glad to see Mr. Marx has confidence in the concern. Understand he has induced a large number of his relatives to sign the agreement. The family is a large one and has numerous connections. NOT RELATED.
St. Louis.

Worried by Dogs.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
The nightly rabberies of the dogs in the neighborhood of Park and Pennsylvania avenues are a nuisance. It has not only been one night, but every night—the "bloody" dogs are out in a vacant lot crying, barking and fighting until early morning. The police should shoot a dozen or so of the speckled dogs. I am glad to see family on Park and St. Vincent have one or more dogs, and don't mind their nightly pranks.

Why should a city like this permit such a nuisance? Country towns are less troubled than St. Louis, where the dog license exists.
An immediate attack should be made to clean out all dogs; they are no credit to a clean community.
St. Louis. ST. VINCENT AVENUE.

Explanation by William Ewing Love.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:
In view of the prominence given my testimony before the state legislative committee in your paper of Monday, Feb. 13, I beg space in which to make the following statement:

HOW TO BE

Cured of Piles Without Pain.

First: Change from sedentary occupation to wisely chosen, more active work.
Second: From indoor to outdoor life.
Third: From wrong to right clothing.
Fourth: From unhealthy, rich living, to a mild hygienic diet.
Fifth, sixth and last, use Pyramid Pile Cure regularly, and according to directions, for it is the right cure for the trouble, and will cure you as it has hundreds of others.

Don't wait until you are a helpless invalid, for a seemingly simple case of hemorrhoids, or piles, may, if neglected, rapidly lead to worse. The unnatural formations become tumorous and permanent, and the inflammation grows until abscesses form; the disease burrows into the tissues, forming tubular growths which discharge pus; cancerous conditions, and general gangrenous degeneration appear.
What is needed at the start, or at any stage, is something to soothe this inflammation, reduce the swelling and distension, and at the same time restore the diseased parts to normal condition. These three things a remedy which has the confidence of the Pyramid Pile Cure. It checks all progress of the disease, and rapidly returns the affected parts to health, besides relieving at once the pain and fearful irritation.

I began using Pyramid Pile Cure, and in order to make sure of a cure bought five packages; for the past six weeks I have not been troubled in the least, and I had been bothered for thirty-five years, and had spent more than fifty dollars for different remedies; this is the first permanent help I have had, and no one could feel more grateful than I do. L. M. Williams, Connecticut, Ohio.

Pyramid Pile Cure is sold by druggists generally for fifty cents a package, and we urge all sufferers to write Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich., for their valuable little book describing the cause and cure of piles.

On Saturday, Feb. 11, I wrote to Senator Martin, chairman of the committee, asking an opportunity to testify against the Rialto Grain and Securities Co. (which I have been trying to close up for some time past, through the use of the press and in other ways). Senator Martin received my letter Sunday morning, and at once sent me a subpoena to be ready to appear at 10 a. m. Monday morning at 10 a. m.

Since I severed my connection with the Rialto company (now having an acceptance of my wholly voluntary resignation, signed by President Hugh C. Dennis with a good recommendation for efficient and reliable services). This resignation was the result of my discovery that the firm were doing a fraudulent business and an impossibility to reconcile my conscience to working for such a concern, even though I was simply receiving the wage tables my services were worth. I have assisted the newspapers and the postoffice inspectors in every way I could, and the fact that I was not willing to work for the Post-Dispatch for its uniformly efficient work in trying to suppress this crime.

St. Louis. WILLIAM EWING LOVE.

Pikers Prepare Banquet.

Members of the arrangements committee of the Pike County Colony have announced that the annual banquet will be held at the St. Nicholas Hotel on Saturday evening, Feb. 18. The speaker will be E. W. Marx, Col. D. P. Dyer will preside as toastmaster. Among the speakers are: E. W. Marx, Col. D. P. Dyer, D. A. Ball and James H. Reeder.

A PAIN TALK

On the Subject of Your Health.

Perfect health is a blessing which is seldom rightly valued until it has been lost. How careless many people are. They regard with unconcern the little ailments which are the forerunners of serious trouble, and not until they are firmly in the grasp of some malignant, life-destroying disease do they realize what a boon is health. The starting point for most diseases is the stomach, generally some little digestive derangement, yet, as "great oaks from little acorns grow," so also do the diseases that kill begin in this insignificant way. To maintain health it is necessary to properly digest the food we eat, and to absorb it at different times, possibly every day, experienced after eating a sense of oppression, heartburn, headache, indigestion, acidity, water rising, bad breath, fullness or bloated stomach. These are symptoms of dyspepsia, commonly called indigestion, and if not corrected will lead to a breakdown of constitutional strength, a condition which invites those diseases that physicians dread and seem unable to cope with, i. e. Bright's Disease, Appendicitis, Pneumonia, Consumption.

It is not at all necessary for anyone to reach such condition. Prevention should be the watchword. If after eating you have an uncomfortable feeling about the stomach it is Dyspepsia; if you belch wind or sour water it is Dyspepsia. If your stomach is nauseated it is Dyspepsia. These are warning symptoms that should receive your instant attention, so that the trouble may be corrected before it becomes dangerous. There is a remedy which has the confidence of its proprietors to such an extent that it is offered to the public on a strict guarantee that it will perform a complete cure. EUPESPIA TABLETS have an extraordinary reputation for merit, so that this offer is a safe one. The remarkable cures they have performed have been a revelation to the medical profession and a marvel to the afflicted. EUPESPIA TABLETS perform their great work by natural processes. They assist nature. They help the stomach to digest and assimilate what you eat. They strengthen the nervous filaments of the stomach and remove the nervous ferment which interferes with the digestion, and finally they give tone to the entire digestive organism. When the stomach has been properly strengthened and appetite well returned, you will eat with relish and digest comfortably. EUPESPIA TABLETS are sold by druggists, or will be sent by mail for 50 cents per bottle.

IF THEY FAIL TO CURE. A free trial sample sent to any address on request. EUPESPIA CHEM. CO., 325 Clark Av., St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS IN NEW THEATRICAL DEAL

Stair and Havlin Join Hands With Fiske-Hackett-Crosman Combination.

ANOTHER HIGH-PRICED CIRCUIT HAS BEEN FORMED

Grand Opera House One of Nineteen Theaters Which Will Be Given Over to Attractions of New Combine.

The Fiske-Hackett-Crosman combination has made a deal with Stair and Havlin, whereby the Grand Opera House in this city will be made one in a chain of 19 theaters which will play high-priced attractions in opposition to the Klaw and Erlanger syndicate next season.

According to dispatches received from the East, the theaters which are to be included in this new circuit are the Grand Opera House, this city; The Majestic and Manhattan, New York; Lyceum, Toledo; Majestic, Boston; Auditorium, Philadelphia; Maryland Theater, Baltimore; Lafayette, Washington; Empire, Pittsburgh; Lyceum, Cleveland; Lyceum, Detroit; Grand Opera House, Chicago; Great Northern, Chicago; Walnut, Cincinnati; Grand, Kansas City; Grand, San Francisco; Grand, New Orleans; Grand, Toronto; Grand, Columbus; Grand, Indianapolis; Empire, Providence, and a new house in Denver.

The deal has been under consideration for some time, but was finally brought to a climax, it is said, by the action of the Klaw and Erlanger syndicate in offering to book attractions in the popular-priced houses.

While there has been no written agreement between Stair and Havlin and the syndicate, there has been an understanding that the syndicate would keep its hands off the cheap houses. But some weeks ago the syndicate sent out letters offering to book second season attractions in these houses and the action of Stair and Havlin in making a deal with the Fiske-Hackett combination, known as the Independent Booking Agency, is the result.

The first announcement comes out of Toledo where Frank Burr, a great friend of Messrs. Stair and Havlin, is said to have been made a party to the new deal. He will take some of their business off their hands.

Stair and Havlin, it is announced, will continue their popular price houses as at present, but merely as managers of theaters and booking agents. Next season they will own no plays and will manage no producing companies, their only interest being as the head of two circuits. It is also stated that in Buffalo, St. Paul, Milwaukee and several other cities negotiations are pending, and that where theaters cannot be leased they will be built. It is quite likely that this part of the deal will not be rushed through, as other cities are not much more in need of new theaters than St. Louis, where a new theater is built on paper, by promoters without money, pretty nearly every week.

Mardi-Gras.

Feb. 18-24.

Low round-trip rates via Mobile and Ohio R. R. from St. Louis and all other stations to New Orleans and Mobile. Tickets on sale Feb. 17 to 24 inclusive, at No. 518 Olive street and Union Station. Liberal limits, stopovers, dining cars and through sleepers.

St. Mark's ladies will have an afternoon euchre on Thursday, Feb. 19, in rooms adjoining this church entrance on Page avenue.

FITZGIBBON SCORED POINTS

Suspended City Register Was Favored by Testimony of Former City Counselor.

The Council will meet Thursday afternoon to continue the hearing of the defense of suspended City Register Patrick R. Fitzgibbon.
Former City Counselor Benjamin Schurmacher was on the stand at the hearing Tuesday and testified that the making of separate regulations for single items had been done according to his advice. He explained that the contracts had been let just as the contracts for ordinances had been let.

Charles Holland, secretary to the water commissioner, who has held that position since 1887, said it was often the custom of his office to make out its own regulations. He said that during City Register Fitzgibbon's tenure printing prices had been reduced.

Dennis P. O'Brien, chief deputy assessor, testified that he considered Fitzgibbon a prudent and honest official. Max Kaufman, secretary of the Board of Health, said he knew of no instance where Fitzgibbon had put regulations to avoid advertising from P. Curran and the Con. P. Curran Printing Co. said that Fitzgibbon had let contracts honestly and economically.



If Your Eyes Trouble You

It's a plain duty you owe to yourself to give them prompt attention. No use putting such matters off, for the difficulty is only aggravated by delay.

Our opticians—all men of wide experience and highest technical skill—are at your service. We examine and test your eyes free of charge.

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Clear the voice. Relieve the throat. Cure coughs and colds. In boxes only. Avoid imitations.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills For Pale People

Are Not Like Ordinary Medicines. They Will Not Disappoint You.

They fill the veins with rich, red blood, sending renewed life and health to every tissue of the body. Through the blood they nourish and restore the exhausted nerve fibres and their remarkable cures in all forms of nervous disorders have amply demonstrated that DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE are the most powerful nerve and spinal tonic in the world. An important feature of Dr. Williams' discovery is its absolute safety. There is nothing in the preparation of these pills that can impair the most delicate constitution.

If you are pale and sallow, if you feel continually "tired out," breathless after slight exertion, if you have headaches and backaches, if you are irritable, nervous, shaky, if your joints ache, if your step is uncertain, if your appetite fails and food does not nourish nor sleep refresh you, you owe it to yourself to try DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS. Do not let any foolish prejudice against advertised medicines stand between you and health.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS bring new life and strength, restore energy and ambition, restore the digestion, overcome debility, bring the glow of health to pallid cheeks, revitalize the nerves and make strong, hungry, healthy men and women.

HERE IS ABSOLUTE PROOF:

Rheumatism Permanently Cured.

Mr. Joseph W. Watson, of Astoria, Oregon, says: "In 1896, while in the fire department, frequent exposure brought on an attack of rheumatism. It grew worse and finally got so bad that I couldn't do any work. I partially lost the use of my right arm and side and suffered the horrible pains that only those who have rheumatism can feel. Part of the time I was confined to my bed. For a while I was under the care of a doctor in Seattle but he did not do me any good. He only gave me powders to soothe the pain so that I could get some sleep. I also tried massage but without any relief. Then I went to our regular doctor here but he could do nothing for me. He said he thought I was slightly touched with palsy."

"Since doctors seemed unable to help me I felt discouraged. But my wife noticed Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People advertised in some paper and so we gave them a trial. This was in 1899 and two months after I began their use I was a well man. I do not need to take any medicine now and I feel like another being. I can candidly say if any person will follow the directions he will be relieved."

Mr. Watson is now engineer in charge of the Hattie, one of the many yachts that ply upon the Columbia river, as hale and hearty a man as one could wish to see, and he attributes it all to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. His address is No. 468 Irving avenue, Astoria, Oregon.

Partial Paralysis Cured.

"The doctor said I was not fit for work and that if I wanted to live I would have to give up business," said Mr. F. J. Graham of No. 125 Jefferson street, Peoria, Ill. "It was a kind of paralysis and it is due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People that I am now in perfect health again. First I would be hot, then cold and clammy, and at

times my body felt as if pierced with needles. There were terrible pains all over me and then I would have no feeling at all. A numbness sometimes came over me and I could not move. With all these agonizing headaches and a pain in the region of my spine. I look back on it now and wonder how I retained my reason through that long and trying ordeal. There were months and months when I got no natural sleep and my nervous system was a wreck from pain and the opiates which I had been obliged to take.

"One day I read the statement of a man who had been cured of a case like mine by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and I began taking them. The first box did so well that I continued until six boxes were taken and I was entirely cured. That was about seven years ago and I have been in perfect health ever since."

Acute Indigestion Cured.

Miss Helen Roling, of No. 267 South Washington street, Columbus, Ohio, says: "Two years ago I had an attack of acute indigestion, accompanied by nervous headache and dizzy spells. I lost in weight, my complexion became pale and sallow, slight exertion made me breathe hard and I could not walk any distance without getting all tired out. I became alarmed and sought medical aid but the doctors gave me no lasting benefit and I continued to grow worse. My stomach could not digest even the simplest and most wholesome food, and dieting did not seem to help me. And I was so tired and worn out all the while."

"It was Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People that cured me. I read an article somewhere telling what these pills had done and I began taking them. Relief came almost immediately. I kept on taking them and my color came back, I could eat again with relish and with no fear of distressing consequences. I began to feel strong and active and in a short time was restored to perfect health." What Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People did for Miss Roling they will do for others similarly afflicted, as is proved by thousands of cases on file.

Dreaded Anæmia Conquered

Miss Georgina J. Morsey, of No. 123 Lake street, St. Albans, Vt., was cured of anæmia by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. She says: "My system became all run down generally, my blood was poor and the doctors said I had anæmia. My appetite failed me, I became pale and sickly and with no color at all in my face. I had dizzy spells and severe headaches. My illness affected my limbs and I could not walk any distance without becoming very much fatigued and short of breath. I suffered for two years and twice was confined to my bed. I doctored with the local physician for over a year and received no benefit. Then I went to Montreal, and took treatment from a physician there but he did me no good, and I began to fear I would never get well."

"While in Montreal a friend of mine advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I began taking them and quickly saw a change for the better. I soon noticed that my lips were beginning to look red and the pallor was fading away. My cheeks began to fill out and my appetite returned. My friends noticed the change and asked me who was my doctor now. I told them that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People were doing all this. Altogether I took twelve boxes and by that time I was a strong and healthy girl again."

For Growing Girls.

Miss Bertha Kennedy, a young lady living at Canton Junction, Mass., says: "When I was fourteen years old I began to decline in health. I was entirely without color, thin as a rail, nervous and irritable, tired and lifeless and in a seriously low state of health in general."

"It was taken from the high school on account of my poor health, but continued to grow worse. Then I began to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and with the first few doses began to feel better. A few boxes restored me entirely to health."

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE are sold by all druggists or will be sent by mail, postpaid, by the manufacturers upon receipt of price, 50 cents per box; six boxes for \$2.50. You are cautioned never to accept a substitute; SUBSTITUTES DO NOT EMBODY DR. WILLIAMS' DISCOVERY. They are ordinary mixtures of ordinary drugs and can never exercise the curative effects of the genuine DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

IF IN DOUBT whether to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills or not, write and read out whether they have cured cases similar to your own. We shall answer you with perfect frankness. We will not sell the pills to people whom we do not think they will cure. Address: DR. WILLIAMS' MEDICINE CO., Schenectady, N. Y.

WHERE IS GOING, MAN IS MISSING

Siegfried Pariser Disappeared
on the Eve of Receiving
a Small Fortune.

TWO MEN CALLED AT HIS
HOUSE AND MADE INQUIRIES

He Became Alarmed and Went Away
Without a Legacy Which Is on
the Way From Ger-
many.

Siegfried Pariser, alias "Luecke," alias Carl Seebach, and his St. Louis wife, have left their former home at 810 North Eighteenth street and are thought to have left the city. The cause of their sudden departure was a call by two men supposed to have been detectives at their home Saturday evening, who questioned Mrs. Pariser about her husband's past record. The man was soon to receive \$1000 from Germany.

Pariser came from Berlin, Germany, about eight years ago. He was born in Berlin, Feb. 26, 1883. His parents are wealthy. It is said that while hardly more than a boy he had some trouble in his native country, and in order to save him from imprisonment he was declared insane and placed under the care of a guardian.

His Father

Left Him \$6000.

In the meantime his father died, leaving him \$6000.

Being under guardianship, he could only draw the interest.

Shortly after coming to this country he was compelled to marry a woman in Baltimore, Md. After two weeks he deserted her and came to St. Louis, where he married his present wife two years later without having obtained a divorce.

He was compelled to employment to increase his income and found a position with a German theater company as a comedian. His income barely sufficed for his expenses. Recently he engaged a lawyer to get possession of his property in Germany. He was informed by his attorney that he must take out naturalization papers.

The Money Is

on the Way.

After his citizenship had been declared his attorney, through Dean E. Mason, vice and deputy consul of the United States in Berlin, obtained Pariser's money, and it is now on its way to America.

But at this juncture, on the verge of receiving a small fortune, he has disappeared.

His attorney, who declines to give his name, thinks that the men who called on Mrs. Pariser were acting in the interest of the Baltimore authorities, or at least that Pariser thought so, and that he and his wife have gone away to avoid possible prosecution.

Eyes Tested Free of Charge.

Dr. Bond and Montgomery, in charge of our optical department, will be pleased to test your eyes and fit them scientifically with eyeglasses and spectacles if required. Charges very reasonable. Steel frames, \$1 and up; gold, \$3 and up.

MEMORABLE & JACARD'S

Broadway and Locust.

AGENTS TO REPAIR HOUSES.

Co-Operative Organization Formed by

Estates and Landlords.

Property owners and agents representing large estates have formed an organization for the purpose of doing their own repair work. A company will be incorporated. One general office will be maintained, and each stockholder will be served in turn.

Oliver J. Grace, a real estate man, the organizer of the plan, will be president and general manager of the company. The company will be conducted on the co-operative plan, Union labor will be employed. Manager Grace estimates that the new corporation will do a business amounting to half a million dollars annually.

FRED GEBHARDT'S LOVELY FIANCEE WHO IS A ST. LOUIS GIRL BY BIRTH



MISS DRINA DE WOLFE.

CHILDREN FIND FATHER DEAD

Milton Ferris of Belleville, Fainting
From Asthma Attack, Falls on
Stove and Dies Before
Found.

Children of Milton Ferris of 333 Centre-ville avenue, Belleville, Ill., found the body of their father lying on a red hot stove at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. He was dead when they found him. They dragged the body from the stove and ran to the neighbors for aid.

Perris was subject to attacks of asthma, and it is supposed that the ailment brought on a fainting spell, and he fell on the stove. He was 50 years of age and had lived in Belleville many years.

DID BRIDE ABOUT HUSBAND?

Interesting Point in Case of 18-Year-
Old Girl Who Married 13-
Year-Old Boy.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 18.—Katie Thomas, the 18-year-old girl of Ashley who eloped with Howard Dietrich, 13 years old, may be arrested for abduction. She provided the money for the trip. They were married last Friday in Birmingham. In Scranton, Pa., a man returned. The boy's parents are furious.

Western Trainmen Favored.

President Ramsey of the Wabash has announced to the men representing the trainmen on that road that his decision not to increase the wages of trainmen employed east of the Mississippi river is irrevocable. The employees west of the Mississippi offered an increase amounting to 12 per cent for passenger trainmen and 15 per cent for freight. The men will vote on the acceptance of the offer.

NEW FIELD EQUALS KLONDIKE

Two Thousand Miners Stamped to
Rich Tanana Valley and Many
Probably Will Perish.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 18.—Federal officers on the Yukon river confirm the story that a gold strike equaling that of the Klondike has been made in Tanana valley. Two thousand miners are stampeding thither from Nome, Dawson, Eagle and Rampart.

Some of them will probably perish, as the weather throughout the Yukon valley has been most severe.

The stampede is taking only enough supplies to last them on the journey.

This may endanger the lives of all, since provisions are very short in the new camp.

United States Commissioner Claypool writes from Circle that 600 claims have been recorded in the new district, which is officially known as Fairbanks, being named after Senator Fairbanks.

Bottles of course gold have been taken to Commissioner Claypool fully confirming the richness of the strike.

Pedro, Coludatran and Pine creeks are the richest streams, running 25 to 50 cents per pan.

KILLED WIFE, LOVED ANOTHER.

Slayer Tells How He Committed the Murder.

EASTMAN, Ga., Feb. 18.—Frank Cook, who is confined in the county jail, has confessed to the murder of his wife, near Hazlehurst, Ga., Saturday last.

Cook says he went up behind his wife and bled her with an ax. They had been married only six months.

The motive of the crime is said to have been Cook's infatuation for another woman.

FRED GEBHARDT'S LOVELY FIANCEE WHO IS A ST. LOUIS GIRL BY BIRTH

Miss Drina De Wolfe, a Mem-
ber of Henry Miller's Com-
pany at the Southern.

ATTRACTED ATTENTION AT
JOHN DREW'S OPENING

Is a Beautiful Titian Blonde and Wore
a Brilliant and Lavish Display
of Diamonds—Is St. Louis
Girl by Birth.

First-nighters at the Olympic Monday night were interested in a party of young women who occupied the upper box on the right, and particularly in the beautiful girl with Titian blonde hair who sat on the extreme right, next to the balcony.

They were strangers in the theatre and few recognized them as members of Henry Miller's company, which will appear at the Olympic next week in "The Taming of Helen."

The young woman with the Titian hair and a wonderful display of diamonds was Miss Drina De Wolfe, the fiancée of Fred Gebhardt, the wealthy New Yorker, whose attention to Mrs. Langtry some years ago was the talk of two continents.

Miss De Wolfe is a St. Louis girl by birth and her grandfather, William A. Walters, is well remembered by the older society people. Her father, Frank J. Walters, a native son of Denver, left the city shortly after his daughter's birth and this is her first visit to the city since she left it at that time. Her grandmother is still living and makes her home in Washington, D. C., where she is one of the leaders of the old and exclusive set. During her stay here Miss De Wolfe has apartments at the Southern. She will play the part of the adventures in Mr. Miller's play next week.

How She Came to

Go on the Stage.

It is rather a strange story, how Miss De Wolfe came to go on the stage and how she became acquainted with Mr. Gebhardt. When a small child she was sent to France and placed in a convent, where she remained until some three years ago. At that time she went to London with an aunt.

It was in that city that she met young Dr. De Wolfe. It was a case of love at first sight, with a hasty marriage in fashion-able St. Paul's. Young Dr. De Wolfe was an actor, and as his bride had long been subject to stage fever it was decided that she should become an actress.

Mrs. Langtry was interested in the young woman and took her under his wing. A few months had passed before the young wife was homeward bound, alone. She joined her father in Colorado, where a year ago he obtained a divorce for her, she being then a minor.

Then, the stage fever free, she asserted herself and she declared she was going to it again. Her father demurred. Her grandmother coaxed, then threatened. All her relatives united in a strong protest. But she was determined to go. She went to New York, where she secured a place with "Sky Farm" and later made her debut in the play "The Taming of Helen." Mrs. Langtry opened her playhouse Miss De Wolfe was engaged for that company.

It was then she met Mr. Gebhardt.

Miss De Wolfe Confirms

Her Engagement.

At the Southern last evening Miss De Wolfe confirmed the report of her engagement to Mr. Gebhardt. When asked about it she replied:

"And the wedding?" she was asked.

"I don't know," she said. "I am not yet. I want to make a little reputation on the stage first. You know I did make quite a little reputation in London. I am now on my way to New York, where I am to stick to legitimate drama from now on."

Miss De Wolfe explained how it was that the company was resting in St. Louis this week.

"You see we didn't want to play one-night stands, and it was too far to go back to New York, so we came in here."

And Miss De Wolfe smiled as though it were the most common thing in the world for a company to lay off a week just because it didn't want to play one-night stands.

Among the diamonds which Miss De Wolfe wore at the theatre Monday night was a coronet as big as a half dollar, in which are 12 large diamonds. The coronet was Mr. Gebhardt's.

Miss De Wolfe is a beautiful and refined young woman, who dresses in exquisite taste. Her dressing room at Mrs. Osborne's playhouse was said by the eastern papers to have been a thing of beauty. Almost every evening it was adorned with magnificent bouquets of roses, violets, chrysanthemums and orchids, the gifts of Mr. Gebhardt.

Miss De Wolfe has a little boy a year and a half old, who she had never seen until she met him in charge of a nurse at the American lion last July.

She Astonished

the Officials.

She astonished the customs officers at the pier by rushing up to the gate and crying:

"I must get in. My baby is coming on the St. Louis and I have never set eyes on him."

"What?" exclaimed the man in charge.

"I can't go into details here," she said. "It's true I have no ticket, but I came out outside when he is on the name shore. Think how eager I am to see him."

The actions of Miss De Wolfe attracted a large crowd, and when she told her story there were many expressions of surprise.

Her husband and her infant came continually, said Miss De Wolfe, and hardly were on speaking terms when little Jack here was born in London. I was very ill, and when I regained consciousness my baby was gone, his father having taken him away. It is only recently that I have obtained possession of him."

Since Mr. Gebhardt's flirtations with Mrs. Langtry he has been married and divorced.

Mr. Gebhardt's wife was a very spirited woman, fond of innocent "sky-larking." Once in returning from a music hall in Baltimore with Harry Lehr and a merry party at midnight, she waded into a fountain on a challenge.

On another occasion she waded into Narragansett Bay on a similar challenge. Her most daring feat, however, was leaping overboard from a yacht and swimming about in a shirtwaist and a skirt.

Mardi Gras.

Feb. 18-24.

Low round-trip rates via Mobile & Ohio R. R. from St. Louis and all other stations to New Orleans and Mobile. Tickets on sale Feb. 17 to 22, inclusive, at No. 618 Olive street and Union Station. Liberal limits, stopovers, dining cars and through sleepers.

Indian Warehouse Clerk.

James W. Fuson of Hartsville, Mo., has been appointed clerk of the Indian warehouse in St. Louis. He succeeds Charles E. Reese, resigned. Fuson has begun his duties. Before his appointment he was county clerk of Webster County.

Rheumatism, more painful in this climate than any other affliction, cured by prescription No. 233 by Elmer & Amend.

COLD IMPRISONED PASSENGERS

Though but Three Miles From Clayton,
They Waited 18 Hours Before
Starting for St. Louis.

While the mercury fell Monday night and Tuesday morning, 35 passengers were for 18 hours on a railroad train at Fargo, three miles west of Clayton, on the Colorado branch of the Rock Island.

These passengers were due in St. Louis Monday evening.

Monday evening a snow storm hit the train, and the passengers were compelled to wait in the cars. There were a number of women and children aboard, and Tuesday morning there were cries of hunger. Conductor Mitchell sent a part of the train crew on a scout, and enough food was obtained to stop the walls of the little ones. It was 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon before a relief train had come out from St. Louis. The passengers were transferred and brought to the city.

NEW ALASKAN EL DORADO.

St. Louis Man Found It on United States Territory.

W. A. Pinnaman, of 1205 Hoffman avenue, is preparing to return to Alaska. He came back from that country only a short time ago, but a letter he has received recently from J. S. Steers at Chena describes a strike that has been made by Steers, Jacob Meyer, John Holmberg, Peter Nelson and Jack Duncan. They report that a new reef has been discovered which will rival the Klondike itself, and that the new bonanza is in United States territory.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble

And Do Not Even Suspect It.

Do Not Neglect Your Kidneys, Because if Kidney Trouble is Permitted to Continue, Fatal Results Are Sure to Follow.

It used to be considered that only urinary and bladder troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all diseases have their beginning in the disorder of these most important organs.

Therefore, when your kidneys are weak or out of order, you can understand how quickly your entire body is affected, and how every organ seems to fail to do its duty.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking the great kidney remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, because as soon as your kidneys are well they will help all the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone.

DID NOT KNOW I HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE

Gentlemen:—About 18 months ago I was extremely sick for three weeks, and when I was able to leave my bed I was left with excruciating pains in my back. My water at times looked very much like coffee. I could pass but little at a time, and then only after suffering great pain. My physical condition was such that I had no strength and was all run down. The doctors said that my kidneys were not working, and while I did not know I had kidney trouble, I somehow felt that my kidneys were the cause of my trouble. I procured a bottle of Swamp-Root and took of three days commenced to get relief. I followed up that bottle with another, and at the completion of this one found I was completely cured. My cure is very gratifying to me.

Mrs. B. H. Hester

117 High Rock St., Lynn, Mass.

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for more sickness and suffering than any other disease, and if permitted to continue much suffering with fatal results are sure to follow. Kidney trouble irritates the nerves, makes you dizzy, restless, sleepless and irritable; makes you pass water often during the day and obliges you to get up many times during the night. Unhealthy kidneys cause rheumatism, gravel, catarrh of the bladder, pain or dull ache in the back, joints or muscles; makes your head and back ache,

causes indigestion, stomach and liver trouble, you get a sallow, yellow complexion, makes you feel as though you had heart trouble; you may have plenty of ambition, but no strength; get weak and waste away. The cure for these troubles is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the world-famous kidney remedy. In taking Swamp-Root you afford natural help to Nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that is known to medical science.

FIND OUT IF YOU NEED SWAMP-ROOT

If there is any doubt in your mind as to your condition, take from your urine on rising about four ounces, place it in a glass or bottle and let it stand twenty-four hours. If on examination it is milky or cloudy, or if there is a brick-dust settling, or if small particles float about in it, your kidneys are in need of immediate attention.

SWAMP-ROOT IS PURELY VEGETABLE

24 West 120th St., New York City.

Dear Sirs:—I had been suffering severely from kidney trouble. All symptoms were on hand: my former strength and good left me; I could hardly drag myself along. Even my mental capacity was going out, and often I wished to die. It was then I saw an advertisement of yours in a New York paper, but would not have paid any attention to it had it not promised a sworn guarantee with every bottle of your medicine, asserting that your Swamp-Root is purely vegetable, and does not contain any harmful drugs. I am seventy years and four months old, and with good conscience I can recount a life of suffering from kidney trouble. Four members of my family have been using Swamp-Root for different kidney diseases, with the same good results.

With many thanks to you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Oct. 15th, 1905.

ROBERT BERNER.

No matter how many doctors you may have tried—no matter how much money you may have spent on other medicines, you really owe it to yourself to at least give Swamp-Root a trial. Its staunch friends today are those who had almost given up hope of ever becoming well again.

To Prove what Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney Remedy, Will do for YOU, Every Reader of "The Post-Dispatch" May Have a Sample Bottle FREE.

SPECIAL NOTE—If you have the slightest symptoms of kidney or bladder trouble, or if there is a trace of it in your family history, send at once to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., who will gladly send you by mail, immediately, without cost to you, a sample bottle of Swamp-Root, and a book containing many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured by Swamp-Root. In writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say that you read this generous offer in the St. Louis Daily Post-Dispatch.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one dollar size bottles at the drug stores everywhere. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

AMUSEMENTS.

CHORAL-SYMPHONY ODEON

FOURTH SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT, GLUCK'S ORPHEUS and EURYDICE

SOLOISTS—MRS. LOUISE HOMER, New York; PAUL DAVIS, MISS LILLIAN SUTTER, St. Louis

Symphony Orchestra, 60 Men—Grand Chorus—330 Voices

A limited number of extra seats to subscribers on application to Harry J. Walker, Secretary, at the Odeon.

There is no system extant that offers to the customer so many conveniences or that will compare in flexibility in the use of every kind of device for light, heat and power as that of the

Missouri-Edison Electric Company's

While everything manufactured for use electrically is most efficient and takes least current to operate, if designed for the system used by said company.

16 candle lamps require 50 watts per hour

Arc lamps require 525 watts per hour

Single-phase motors develop from 75 to 90 per cent of the initial energy.

Your cost depends as much on efficiency of the apparatus as upon the rate for current; and we confidently invite the public to consult authorities in the electrical service as to the accuracy of this statement.

TRADE MARK

NEW COLLAR

HERPICIDE NOT A FAKE.

Unsolicited Testimonials Tell of Its Superiority.

Alf. R. Kelley, residing at 2195 Devisadero St., San Francisco, Cal., writes the following:

"When I first purchased Herpicide, I thought, like the majority of hair preparations, it would prove a fake. I am happy to state that, on the contrary, it is all, and even more, than you claim for it. Quite a number of barbers throughout the section in which I travel have called attention to the new hair sprouting out on my scalp, and inquired of me what I have been using. I tell them 'Herpicide,' also give them your name and address."

Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c in stamps for sample to the Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.; Judge & Dolph Co., Raboteau & Co., Wall-Wilson Drug Co., special agents.

WHITE RIBBON REMEDY

No taste. No odor. Can be given in glass of water, tea or coffee without the patient's knowledge.

White Ribbon Remedy will cure or destroy the disease of alcoholic stimulation, whether the patient is a confirmed habitué, a "tippler," or a casual drinker. It is perfectly safe for anyone to have an appetite for alcoholic liquors after using White Ribbon Remedy.

Indorsed by Members of W. O. T. U.

Mrs. Moore, press superintendent of Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Ventura, Cal., writes: "I have tested White Ribbon Remedy on very many cases of alcoholism, and have been delighted to find an economical treatment to old and in our temperance work."

Druggists or by mail, \$1. Trial package free by writing to Mrs. A. M. Townsend, the years secretary of a Woman's Christian Temperance Union, 218 Tremont St., Boston, Mass. Sold in St. Louis by Judge & Dolph Co., 615 Olive St., and Fourth and Market Sts.; Raboteau & Co., 207 Broadway and Locust Sts.; Wall-Wilson Drug Co., 4 & 6, Sixth and Washington Sts.

THE CHILDREN ENJOY

Life out of doors and out of the games which they play and the enjoyment which they receive and the efforts which they make, comes the greater part of that healthful development which is so essential to their happiness when grown. When a laxative is needed the remedy which is given to them to cleanse and sweeten and strengthen the internal organs on which it acts, should be such as physicians would sanction, because its component parts are known to be wholesome and the remedy itself free from every objectionable quality. The one remedy which physicians and parents, well-informed, approve and recommend and which the little ones enjoy, because of its pleasant flavor, its gentle action and its beneficial effects, is—Syrup of Figs—and for the same reason it is the only laxative which should be used by fathers and mothers.

Syrup of Figs is the only remedy which acts gently, pleasantly and naturally without griping, irritating, or nauseating and which cleanses the system effectually, without producing that constipated habit which results from the use of the old-time cathartics and modern imitations, and against which the children should be so carefully guarded. If you would have them grow to manhood and womanhood, strong, healthy and happy, do not give them medicines, when medicines are not needed, and when nature needs assistance in the way of a laxative, give them only the simple, pleasant and gentle—Syrup of Figs.

In quality it is due not only to the excellence of the combination of the laxative principles of plants with pleasant aromatic syrups and juices, but also to our original method of manufacture and as you value the health of the little ones, do not accept any of the substitutes which unscrupulous dealers sometimes offer to increase their profits. The genuine article may be bought anywhere of all reliable druggists at fifty cents per bottle. Please to remember, the full name of the Company—CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.—is printed on the front of every package. In order to get its beneficial effects it is always necessary to buy the genuine only.

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Syrup of Figs is the only remedy which acts gently, pleasantly and naturally without griping, irritating, or nauseating and which cleanses the system effectually, without producing that constipated habit which results from the use of the old-time cathartics and modern imitations, and against which the children should be so carefully guarded. If you would have them grow to manhood and womanhood, strong, healthy and happy, do not give them medicines, when medicines are not needed, and when nature needs assistance in the way of a laxative, give them only the simple, pleasant and gentle—Syrup of Figs.

In quality it is due not only to the excellence of the combination of the laxative principles of plants with pleasant aromatic syrups and juices, but also to our original method of manufacture and as you value the health of the little ones, do not accept any of the substitutes which unscrupulous dealers sometimes offer to increase their profits. The genuine article may be bought anywhere of all reliable druggists at fifty cents per bottle. Please to remember, the full name of the Company—CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.—is printed on the front of every package. In order to get its beneficial effects it is always necessary to buy the genuine only.

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People's Popular Want Ads
Total for December, 32,190

10,000 Greater Than the total of the next largest headline
Want Medium west of the Mississippi

When Arnold was known as Webb there were not so many
files in his parlor.

Probably no senator feels that his bread depends upon the
confirmation of Crum.

The turf investment collapse appears to have been a bitter pill
to a large number of doctors.

The turf investor who compares his dividends with the \$300,000
Mr. Rockefeller has drawn will be truly miserable.

President Baer is not afraid to say what he thinks, but he
ought to be afraid to think some of the things he says.

THAT BELATED POSTAL ORDER.

An order has been issued by the postoffice department for the
withholding of the delivery of mail to any of the investment
companies now under investigation in St. Louis.

Now that the horse has been stolen the stable is so locked.
The money of thousands of persons having been lost through
the free use of the mails, the pitiful remnant now in the mails
is to be saved.

Why did not the postoffice department act when the fraudulent
character of these concerns was called to the attention of
its officials? Three times the Post-Dispatch directed the attention
of the officials to the get-rich-quick turf schemes and In-
spector Dice has stated that his reports were unfavorable, but
to go away.

On the contrary, the advertising circulars of the caucus were
carefully adjusted to fit the federal laws under the kindly sug-
gestion of officials. The letter, practically approving of the
methods of Arnold & Co., written by James Tyner, assistant
attorney-general for the postoffice department, was spread
broadly as an advertisement.

What has been the matter with the postoffice department?
Why were the reports of inspectors disregarded and the counsel
of shrewd attorneys accepted and acted upon?
The withholding order from the postoffice department is not
sufficient. There should be a thorough investigation of the de-
partment's conduct.

A board of lady managers without an appropriation is ideal—
a barren ideal in fact.

NO MORE CIRCUIT JUDGES.

It is difficult to perceive any good reason for an increase in
the number of circuit judges except an additional judge for the
proposed juvenile court.

But the objections are numerous and convincing.
The first is the needlessness of the increase. Judge Rom-
bauer points out that the number of cases falling to the share of
each judge is smaller than in 1867-1871, when he was on the
bench. In 1870 the total number of civil cases handled by each
judge was 1200. It is now about 800. Nobody will pretend that
the docket is crowded or that the business of courts is falling be-
hind. The expense contemplated in the proposal will be sheer
waste.

But it involves more than waste. It is a scheme which will
profit only the office seekers, the politicians, their hangar-
ons, and the spidmen generally. It is notorious that every pub-
lic office tends to become the center of political corruption and
the more there are the more difficult it becomes to save the
public administration from demoralization.

The circuit court is already well manned and fully equal to all
demands. Alterations and changes are inexpedient.

Can the children be taught how to keep the city clean before
this snow melts and drowns us all in a sea of mud?

VALUE OF PRESENCE OF MIND.

Miss Martin of Thayer, Ill., had not only nerve, but muscle.
As described in Tuesday's Post-Dispatch, when she found the
stairway of the school in which she taught was on fire, she
formed the 50 children in line, marched them to the window,
which was on the second story, and dropped every one of them
safely to the ground. Then she swung herself down.

But for Miss Martin's presence of mind this little fire at Thayer
would have been a terrible tragedy. The event should be re-
membered by girls and women, and should not be lost sight of
by men. It proves that everything may be gained by keeping
one's head in a crisis. The death rate would be largely reduced,
if people would control themselves at critical moments, instead of
giving way to despair.

The police have seen neither Gill nor Lumpkin.

THE SOCIAL PACE.

In Washington the social pace is the pace that kills.

Mrs. Roosevelt's breakdown is attributed to the tremendous
round of social duties she has participated in since last No-
vember. A summary of these in Tuesday's Post-Dispatch indi-
cates a life too strenuous for even the strongest woman.

It is a melancholy reflection that such a sacrifice is out of
all proportion to the value of the object sought.

The complicated machinery of "functions" grinds too fine. So-
cial pleasures in its best estate means happiness, health, life. In
its worst it is a heavy burden, a formal duty, dead, mechanical
and sure to end in unhappiness, disappointment and ill-health.
It is time for women to get away from the artificialities of so-
ciety and embrace the realities. Only so can life be enjoyed as
it was intended to be enjoyed.

Financier Ryan's assertion that he never worked for any man is
true. His scheme was not to work for any man, but to work
every man.

SAFEGUARDS FOR THE JUVENILE COURT.

There has been more or less discussion of the juvenile court
bill upon the assumption that the bill now pending in the legis-
lature provides that the court shall determine what is or is not
"proper parental care." The fact does not seem to be generally
known that the bill, as at present framed, contains no such
provision. The Bar Association, in considering the measure as
originally drawn, eliminated that provision so that the discussion
of the propriety of giving that jurisdiction to the court is
wholly academic. The bill as now framed classifies the cases in
which the court shall have jurisdiction of children over the
age of 16 years as follows:

First, delinquent children, that is those "who violate any law
of this state or any city ordinance," who are to be dealt with in
accordance with the criminal code, the court merely having
power to mitigate punishment by stay of execution or otherwise
in deserving cases.

The second class includes only the "neglected child," which,

under the act, is defined to be "any child under the age of 16
years who is destitute or homeless or abandoned or dependent
upon the public for support, or who habitually begs or receives
alms, is found in any house of ill fame, or with any vicious or
disreputable person or who is suffering from the cruelty or de-
pravity of its parents, or any other person in whose care it may
be."

From this it will be seen that the conditions authorizing the
court to take jurisdiction are those already generally recognized
as necessary to the intervention of the state to preserve the child
from dangers which are quite obvious. Nothing can be discerned
in these definitions which would give to any court a discretionary
power to invade the family circle unwarrantably. Moreover the
bill provides that in all cases, following the practice of the Cir-
cuit Court, every question of fact requisite to establish the
jurisdiction may be tried by a jury, and if the information
alleged be not sustained by the proof, the costs of the pro-
ceedings may be adjudged against the informant. It seems per-
fectly clear, then, that there is no danger lurking in the bill
calculated to infringe constitutional rights, and the measure is
in its nature of such indisputable value that it should soon re-
ceive the sanction of the law.

Recommendations of postal inspectors in plain cases of fraud
are ignored by the department at Washington, and the assistant
attorney-general sends a letter which is used by the rascals as
an advertisement. Why? Other recommendations by postal in-
spector have been ignored.

WANTED, A MAN WHO CAN.

Public business is suspended in the courthouse and the pa-
tients in the City Hospital are freezing. There is no coal.

This preposterous condition is found in a city which wants
to be known as a World's Fair City, a city of great achieve-
ment, a city of intelligence, energy and enterprise.

It isn't because there is a coal famine. There is plenty of
coal to be had. There has been no scarcity.

It is because the persons whose business it is to provide the
coal and keep enough on hand for all emergencies didn't order
the fuel in time.

When it was ordered the contractor couldn't haul it. The
streets are so slippery, and besides there aren't teams enough.

So the judges and jurymen go home and helpless creatures
in the hospital shiver and die.

Of course nobody is to blame. Nobody is ever to blame for fail-
ure of the public service in St. Louis.

Such unfortunate accidents can't be prevented.

The number of things that can't be done in St. Louis is ex-
traordinary. For one plain duty that can be performed there
are ten that can't.

There ought to be an exception, however, in favor of the City
Hospital. The patients in that sorry barn are none too com-
fortable at the best. There ought to be somebody intelligent
and energetic enough to perform ordinary duties—somebody
who can.

Give the men who can't a long holiday and turn the public
service over to those who can.

What a pity municipal cleanliness was not taught in the public
schools 10 years ago. Had it been, the moon now at the head of
affairs would know just what to do in the present crisis and we
should not have to wait until prattling babes are taught the
precious secret.

WAR AND TALK.

Where there is so much smoke there must be some talk. So
Russia and Austria propose a conference to settle that Macedo-
nian trouble.

That's the way of the modern world—a disturbance of the
peace in a secluded corner of the earth, bloody rumors of war,
talk—no war.

On the whole it is a good way. When we all get used to it the
rumors will be omitted; then the restless people who stir up
such foolish quarrels will have to find other means to attract
attention. Only talk will be left. We can't do without that.

What would the ambassadors and secretaries and envoys, ordi-
nary and extraordinary, do without talk?

The Mexican half dollar, which looks so much like our own,
and is worth almost nothing in the United States, was not
among the things that passed away with the old year. It is
still circulating here as change, and the Mexican-half-dollar face
is frequently to be seen on the men who haven't noticed
the coin until they have offered it to somebody more observing
than themselves.

It will not be difficult for Mr. Stead to start a serial story
that shall go on forever. It will be merely a matter of em-
ploying writers. The trouble will be in retaining readers, even
if he can furnish all the back numbers.

An American World's Fair without an adequate Philippine ex-
hibit would lack an essential feature. If the Philippine treasury
is unable to supply funds, Congress owes it to the country to
make ample provision.

When New South Wales was a free-trade colony it was highly
prosperous. Since the imposition of tariff duties its prosperity
has declined and its people are discontented. How can such
things be?

With so about a champion of tariff taxation as Senator Aldrich
there is no possibility of getting along on the free list, however
desirable such legislation may appear to Missourians.

The World's Fair may be of great service in the work of as-
similating the Philippines. As many of them as can be cared for
should be brought to St. Louis in 1904.

While the virgins slept the bedroom came. While the chief
slept Arnold and Gill went. Thus is history inverted and re-
peated.

POST-DISPATCH SNAP SHOTS.

Perhaps Arnold was at one time a sheep farmer.

The turf investor who is not a plumber feels his loss keenly.

It did not occur to the President to cite China as a case of
great multiplication.

Investors will hereafter always beware of any promoter whose
name rhymes with pumpkin.

As he has "cleaned out" so many people it is right that the
country should be scourged for Arnold.

The expectorators will rub a good deal when the Model
City is placed on exhibition at the World's Fair grounds.

As almost every house is a woman's building, the absence of
a woman's building at the World's Fair will not be so much
noticed.

Dentists sympathize with one another when one is sued by a
customer, but they can hardly expect general sympathy. They
have made too many of us howl.

Ministers have begun to protest against our prosperous Ameri-
can infant industry of idol manufacturing. They would have
every idol manufacturing an idle manufacturing.

Uncle Samuel bought nearly \$30 worth of hair tonic for senators
in the past year, but there appears to be no diminution in the
number of baldheaded statesmen in the upper house.

Twenty cases of wine may be a more effective bribe to an
ambassador than a wad of money. There are statesmen who
have a great thirst and who have never seen a W. C. T. U.
tract.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

B. K. M.—No premium on half dollar of 1853.

INQUIRER—A marriage license will cost you \$1.

G. M. B.—Cousins are not permitted to marry in Illinois.

CONSTANT READER—No premium on a 1-cent piece of 1830.

W. F. WILSON—No premium on half dollars of 1837 and 1841
and 1851.

SUBSCRIBER—A silk hat if you go in evening dress. If not,
a derby or any other.

LAWRENCE KING—Not knowing the facts, it is unwise to
give advice. See a lawyer.

RICHIEPAST—Your investment of \$100 is quoted at -.001 to-
day. Market "a sagging and you would better get out of it be-
fore it goes any lower.

WORKINGWOMAN—"What constitutes a gentleman? First
gentleness, second manliness, or, first manliness, second gentle-
ness. A man who is gentle to a lady who is gentle to a working-
woman as to "a lady who rides in her carriage."

The Big Navy Idea.

From the Detroit Free Press.

We have one too. A naval league is organized in this country
as in the great powers of Europe. The direct idea is that every
nation must build a navy that can whip the navy of every other
nation, so that there will be no fighting.

Income Taxation.

From the Washington Post.

The Hawaiian income tax has been declared constitutional by
a United States court. Are we going to give our new posses-
sions a dose we decline to take ourselves?

THE POST-DISPATCH'S DAILY MAGAZINE

A MOMENT'S
MERRIMENT

REJECTED.

She was a literary lass,
And edited a cultured journal;
And oh, he loved her with a love
He felt must be for life eternal.

And so to win her maiden heart,
He wrote a simple, soulful sonnet,
With careful rhythm and studied phrase,
And staked his wealth of love upon it.

He sent it her; his mind's eye saw
Her quaint and queerly wise expression.
Change, as with blushing cheek she read
His heart's fond thought, his "Love's
Confession."

Her answer came; but who'd have thought
That she could cut so cute a caper?
She wrote: "Your manuscript returned;
Don't write on both sides of the paper!"
—Philadelphia Telegraph.

"THE EDITOR REGRETS, ETC."

"Ah, if I could only share the tremen-
dous sorrows of magazine editors!"
"Sorrow, why, do they have sorrows?"
"Do they? Don't they? Every letter I
get from any one of them breathes regret!"
—Baltimore News.

THE COONSKIN COAT.

Ontario is being depopulated by this
annual procession of gentlemen from the
West in coonskin coats, says the Toronto
Telegraph. This coat is the oriflamme
of the western movement. The visitor
from the West, in his garb of prosperity
stirs the soul of Ontario's home staying
youth with a wild ambition to go west and
grow up into the grandeur of similar gar-
ments.

RUBBING IT IN.

"An' de text say," remarked the old col-
ored parson, "An' he shall separate de
sheep from de goats." Now, bruden an'
sistern, Ah nint castin' no 'flections on dis
congregation, but knowin' hit as Ah dose
Ah's willin' to bet fough dollars dat when
de day ob judgment done rolls around dar
will be somethin' doin' in de goat market."
—Chicago News.

AH, YES!

"That's a beautiful rug. May I ask how
much it cost you?"

"Three hundred dollars' worth of fur-
niture to match it."—Chicago Tribune.

NOT THE END.

"Is this the end, doctor?" asked one of
the anxious watchers.

"I fear it is," replied the physician.

"Oh, I guess not," chuckled the patient,
who was leaving a large fortune and had
seventeen avaricious relatives. "Just wait
until they try to probate my will and you'll
find that this is only the beginning."—Chi-
cago Post.

A SURE SIGN.

Young Twombly—I am sorry to hear, dear
boy, that you didn't succeed. You must
have read a refusal in her face.

Young Twombly—I did. She "nilt" her
brows.—Philadelphia Press.

THEY FIXED HIM.

A rural constituent wrote to his Congres-
sman for some reading matter. The Con-
gressman replied:

"Read my speeches in the Record."

"The constituent answered by return mail:
"That's just what I done, an' they laid me
up. What I want is first-class readin' mat-
ter."—Atlanta Constitution.

POEMS YOU
OUGHT TO KNOW

THE CLOUDS.

By Percy Bysshe Shelley.
"This ethereal cloud song of Shelley's, with
its interwoven mystic and ever charming na-
turalisms, has inspired countless hundred poets to
make a stinging and driven head to despair by
its unapproachable perfection.
I bring fresh showers for the thirsting
flowers.

From the seas and the streams;
I bear light shade for the leaves when laid
In their noonday dreams.

From my wings are shaken the dews that waken
The sweet buds every one,
When rocked to rest on their mother's arm,
As e'en the dances about the sun.

I wield the flail of the lashing hail,
And whiten the green plains under;
And then again I dissolve in rain,
And laugh as I pass in thunder.

That orbed maiden with white fire laden,
Whom mortals call the moon,
Glides glimmering o'er my fleecylike floor,
By the midnight breezes strewn;

And wherever the beat of her unseen feet,
Which only the angels hear,
May have broken the woof of my tent's
thin roof.

The stars behind her peer;
And I laugh to see them whirl and flee,
Like a swarm of golden bees,
When I widen the rent in my wind-built
tent.

Till the calm rivers, lakes and seas,
Like strips of the sky fallen through me
on high,
Are each paved with the moon and these.

I bind the sun's throne with the burning
serpents,
The volcanoes are dim and the stars reel
and swim
When the whirlwinds my banner unfurl.

From cape to cape, with a bridge-like shape,
Over a torrent sea,
Sunbeams proof, I hang like a roof,
The mountains' its columns be.

The triumphal arch through which march
With hurricane, fire, and snow,
When the powers of the air are chained to
my chair.

In the million colored bow;
Who sphere fire above its soft colors wave,
While the moist earth was laughing be-
low.

TWO SPRING DRESSES
THAT ARE ATTRACTIVE

A NOVEL dress for spring wear is of
plain blue silk with a blouse bodice
tucked in clusters and trimmed with
bands of coarse white linen canvas em-
brodered in blue.
The three caps of the very odd sleeves are
outlined with bands of embroidered linen,
which also form the large fanciful turn-
over cuffs and the collar.
The skirt is built with a yoke of blue silk
outlined in white linen.
From this the fullness falls in a double



box-pleat in front and is shirred from the
side in a fashion which will be very
generally worn next spring.
Another gown of black foulard with a
large white polka dot has a novel yoke of
the silk outlined in white and cut in a
small "V" in front to reveal the collar and
vest of shirred white silk. The blouse has
a box-pleat at the meeting in front, start-
ing from a tie of dotted white silk, which



also forms the crush belt. The sleeves are
narrow till they reach the elbow, where
they broaden into a huge mandolin puff,
ending in large turnover cuffs edged with
a narrow silk roche.
The skirt has a double box pleat in front,
and is built in narrower plaits at the sides.
These novel designs for spring gowns are
reproduced from Le Costume Royal by per-
mission of the Royal Pattern Co.

FOR BEAUTY

After reading the article on "How to Be
Beautiful" Evalina resolved to make her-
self over into a being
of radiant loveliness.

She was all the more
anxious to be beau-
tiful in a hurry be-
cause her brother
Dick was coming
home in a day or two
from his hunting trip,
bringing his Boston
friend that Evalina
had never seen.

She retired from the
family circle at 9
o'clock, carrying with
her a cup of milk and
a cake of chocolate.
The article told how
the maid of the be-
auty cultist
would hand her a cup
of creamy chocolate
as a last aid to sleep
and added loveliness.
Evalina, having no
maid, intended to
make her own choco-
late over her alcohol lamp and hand it to
herself at the proper time.

"Now, first," she muttered as she closed
her door, "I must devote 15 minutes to the
care of my hair." She unbound its coils
and sat down before her dressing table.
She combed and brushed it, clipped the
split ends and then braided it into a multi-
tude of little pigtails that it might be soft
and wavy the next morning. She spent
ten minutes in brushing and polishing her
teeth, then she took up her dumbbells and
practiced diligently for awhile. "I'm sure
Dick's friend admires athletic girls," she
said to herself. "Exercise means beauty,
too."

She lay flat on the floor and went through
all the breathing exercises that she had
ever heard of. Then she made herself quite
limp and fixed her mind on vacancy to tone
up her nerves. She did this with so much
success that she was dozing off to sleep
when she remembered that she had not yet
combed out her eyelashes. When she had
done this and trained her brows in the
way they should go she smeared her face
and neck with a skin food. She was tired,



Unbound Its Coils.

but she massaged her features vigorously
until her eyes and mouth were full of the
mixture. Groping blindly for something on
which to wipe her face, she caught up her
new liberty silk scarf. She removed the
residue of the skin food before she re-
gained her sight and saw that the scarf
was ruined. She dashed cold water over
her face and then remastered it with a
white cream that was to remain on for the
night.

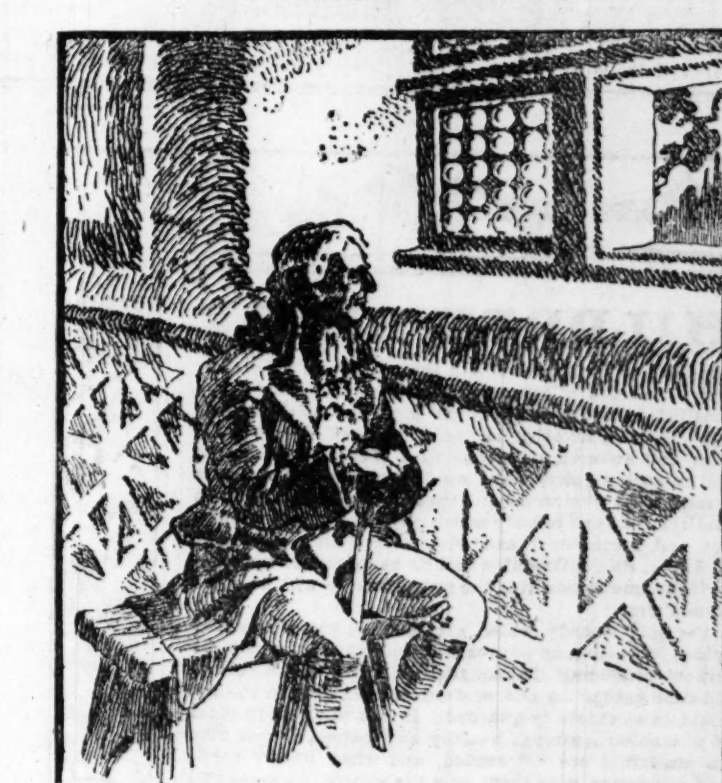
Evalina next turned her attention to her
hands. The beauty article said that half an
hour was none too long to spend on them.
She cut and polished her nails, covered her
hands with a cosmetic and drew on loose
gloves. She put a bandage wet with lo-
tion about her neck to render her neck
like that of a swan and tied a ribbon over
her ears so that they would lie close to her
head. She had forgotten her ten minutes'
toe exercise, so she took it now. The beauty
article declared that in modern life the
toes are frightfully neglected and that no
woman could walk well who did not prop-
erly exercise her toes. This done, Evalina
took bits of court plaster and fastened
them on each side of her mouth, so they
would pull up the corners and induce the
Cupid's curve.

It was now long past midnight and Eval-
ina was famishing. She made her cup of
chocolate over the alcohol lamp, but it did
not satisfy her hunger. She thought fond-
ly of the roast beef and the mince pie left
from dinner. Then she remembered that
mince pie was not
conducive to beauty,
so she turned her
thoughts from it and
centered them on the
roast beef. She de-
cided to steal down
to the pantry, take a
slice of bread and a
bit of beef and come
upstairs again with-
out disturbing any of
the family. She
threw on her blue
lounging robe and
started.

She had reached the
foot of the stairs
when she was ar-
rested by the sound
of a key grating in
the lock of the front
door. A light burned
overhead. Evalina stopped stock still,
stopped stock still.

Then the door opened and her brother,
Dick, came in, followed by the friend from
Boston. They were just in from their
hunting trip and were trying to make a
quiet entrance with Dick's latchkey. As
they explained to the stunned Evalina,
"And there I stood!" she said, "waiting
the next day to see my mother. My hair in
piggish style, a red flannel rag around
my neck. No! I glow on and my face all
covered with cold cream, looking like a
magnolia."—Chicago News.

A PUZZLE PICTURE



THE OLD MAN IS DREAMING OF MARTHA FIND HER.

MISSOURI ODD FACTS.

An old man in Maitland, 96 years old, is
having the mumps for the first time.

The Steinhuis family, Carthage, is suf-
fering from a plague different from, but
certainly not less odious than, any that
the Lord visited on the refractory Egypt-
ians. Several polecats have taken up their
abode in the family's house, and every
night they run up and down between the
weatherboarding and plastering, making a
noise, etc.

In Barton County, just after the civil
war, one Harrington, had stolen a sawmill.
A sawmill is a rather unusual thing for a
man to steal, but the defendant in this case
had deliberately taken his team and hauled
the mill away. After hearing the evidence,
the jury retired, and in a short time they
found the man, the foreman handing to the court
a verdict which read something like this:
"We, the jury, believe from the evidence
that the defendant, Harrington, took the
sawmill, but since it appears that he took it
from a lot of rebels, we acquit him."

Judge Ward is said to have the exact writ-
ten words of the verdict in his possession.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY.

Men are God's trees and women
are God's flowers.

TENNYSON.

COLLEGE GIRLS AND M

CHICKEN OWNER WON SUIT

Neighbor Sought Damages for Wounds Inflicted by Dog.

Mrs. Nienaber and her dog opposed Julius Kuhn in a hand-to-hand conflict which is described by the complaint in a suit decided in the Circuit Court at Clayton.

Mrs. Nienaber and her husband live at "Brownhurst," Daniel S. Brown's country seat. It is alleged that last summer Julius Kuhn removed to Mrs. Nienaber's garden and destroyed his tomatoes. The dispute ended, it is said, with Kuhn weighing 180 pounds, but Mrs. Nienaber's dog bit him twice and he was glad to agree to an armistice.

Six hours afterward he returned with a shotgun and a pistol. When Mrs. Nienaber saw her antagonist approaching she called her husband and whistled to the dog. Kuhn essayed to conquer without the use of any of his artillery and was badly wounded, being compelled to retreat without his weapons. Suit was brought in Justice of the Peace Hugh Jacob's court and from it was taken to the Circuit Court where Nienaber won the decision Tuesday.

State Consumptive Home.

A committee of St. Louis physicians left for Jefferson City Wednesday morning to urge the passage of a bill providing for the establishment of a state home for consumptives. They will be given a hearing Wednesday evening. The committee consists of Drs. George Homan, P. J. Lutz, R. M. Pankhouser, William Porter, B. H. Gradwohl, L. H. Behrens and F. Feder.

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ANOTHER ACTING OF SOCIAL STRAIN

Mrs. Knox, Attorney-General's Wife, Prostrated by Capital's Fast Pace.

PHYSICIAN ORDERS HER TO CANCEL ALL ENGAGEMENTS

Society's Obligations Now Far More Exact Than Those of a Fille: Vice-President Hobart, Mrs. Gage and Miss Long.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—As a result of the capitol's strenuous life, Mrs. Philander C. Knox, wife of the attorney-general, yesterday afternoon suffered a nervous collapse similar to that which, from the same cause, prostrated Mrs. Roosevelt.

Mrs. Knox has been ailing several days. Yesterday, her symptoms took an acute form. Her physician ordered the cancellation of all her social engagements, including her reception tomorrow and a dinner party on Friday.

He also ordered that Mrs. Knox leave Washington not later than the end of this week. She will probably go to Atlantic City until she is strong enough for a trip south.

Mrs. Knox has been one of the most indefatigable hostesses in the official set. She has given a succession of dinners and lunches, and a large reception every Wednesday afternoon since the middle of December.

Her symptoms are not serious, in her physician's opinion, if she rigidly obeys his orders to take absolute rest.

Mrs. Roosevelt today was able to go to Philadelphia to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Brock at the opera tonight. This engagement with Mrs. Brock, who is one of Mrs. Roosevelt's close friends, was made last summer.

Mrs. Roosevelt Visits Philadelphia.

Mrs. Roosevelt gained the consent of her physician to make the trip, but, by her orders, she will curtail her visit and return home tomorrow afternoon to rest again.

A trip down the river to Chesapeake Bay as soon as the weather moderates is one of Dr. Rixey's suggestions to aid Mrs. Roosevelt's recovery.

Unless some unforeseen complication arises, the musicals scheduled for Friday will be given, as the President and Mrs. Roosevelt do not desire to recall invitations.

Breakdowns due to the social strain are not new to the national capital. Vice-President Hobart's death is believed to have been hastened by it and friends of late Mrs. Lyman J. Gage declare that, if she had not been on the verge of nervous prostration from her arduous social life, the severe cold she contracted at the second inauguration of President McKinley would not have been fatal.

Among the martyrs to the system of constant entertaining are Miss Wilson, daughter of the secretary of agriculture; Miss Helen Long, daughter of the former secretary of the navy; Miss Rose, daughter of the secretary of war; Mrs. Charles Emory Smith, wife of the former postmaster-general; and Miss Margaret Caslin, niece of the Russian ambassador.

Mrs. Gage's Fatal Social Duties.

Miss Wilson, utterly exhausted by an unremitting round of social duties, fainted in January, 1900, while dressing to attend a dinner party and remained unconscious for several hours.

In Mrs. Gage's case, she had been compelled to do more than her share of the entertaining, and Mrs. Hay was forced to absent herself from social life because of the death of her mother.

Mrs. Gage's heart weakened under the strain, and, when she was exposed to the inauguration and contracted a gripe, it attacked the heart and proved fatal.

Early in the season of 1900 Count Cassini found it necessary to limit his niece's acceptance of social invitations to two a week so much had she been exhausted by the strain.

Miss Long became an invalid in 1899 and died soon afterward. Naturally of a delicate constitution, she fell victim to the heavy duties of her social position.

This led the cabinet ladies to advocate more sleep and less entertaining, but, while they have been agitating it for several years, conditions have grown worse instead of better.

BARBERS APPEAL TO PUBLIC.

Sanitary and License Laws Said to Be Entirely Unreasonable.

The Barbers' Mutual Aid Association of Missouri has appealed to public sentiment to obtain a repeal or modification of the law requiring barbers to pass an examination and to conduct shops according to certain sanitary regulations.

The tonorialists regard the regulation as too strict. They have issued an address containing the assertion that no barber can comply with the rules prescribed. "Cleanliness is all that is required," the barbers say, "but no would-be sanitary money-making offices are in demand."

Why Suffer With Dyspepsia? Sulphogen (Anti-Perment) will cure you.

TURF COMPANY OFFICIALS.

Smith Reveals Identity of Associates in National Securities Co.

Percy Smith, secretary of the National Securities Co., has informed the circuit attorney's office as to the identity of the men forming that company. C. T. Sims, the president, Smith says, comes from Hannibal, Mo.; C. J. McCook, another officer, is from Chicago. Smith claims he himself came from Memphis, Tenn. He tells some big stories as to the money put into the company and confirms the statement of Brooks that Brooks is only an employee.

Through Sleeper.

By Illinois Central to New Orleans Feb. 17 to 22 for Mardi Gras on its fast night train, the New Orleans Limited, as well as on its fast noon train, the New Orleans Special.

Curfew Law Proposed.

A bill will be introduced in the Municipal Assembly establishing a curfew law for St. Louis by the St. Louis Curfew Association, organized at the Central Y. M. C. Tuesday evening.

The following officers were chosen: President, Isaac M. Mason; vice-presidents, Rev. J. T. Coffey, George W. Brown, D. R. Wolfe, Frank J. Hays and W. J. Solter; secretary, Rev. C. C. Stahlmann; treasurer, S. M. Kennard; executive committee, E. Stansard, James L. Blair, Robert Rutledge, W. H. McClean, E. P. V. Ritter, William A. Randolph, Frank J. Hays, Rev. H. Briggs, Rev. Charles Smith, Rev. Frank Lonsdale, Rev. S. C. Paifer and Rev. H. J. Waggoner.

Over One and a Half Millions.

Of bottles of G. H. Mumm & Co.'s Extra Dry champagne were imported into this country during 1901, an achievement unparalleled in the history of the champagne trade.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—An English version of a French adaptation of Tolstoy's Russian novel, "Resurrection," was heard here and in London last night for the first time. Lena Ashwell and Berthold Tree were the chief actors in the London production and Miss Blanche Walsh and Joseph Haworth were seen in the play here.

As usual there is a wide difference of opinion as to the success of the two performances. All the critics agree that the play is depressing in the extreme, but at places intensely dramatic.

A cablegram to the Tribune says the London rendition was "acted too deliberately" and "was a disappointment."

The Times' London correspondent cables it "was deeply impressive as a moral lesson; but as a drama it belongs unmistakably to the category of the second best. It comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb."

The World cables say: "It will hardly be reckoned among Tree's best efforts." Further it says that the book for the stage, "the adaptors made considerable departures from the original story, and in veiling its gloomy horrors and repulsiveness have detracted from its dramatic interest, leaving the story unreal and unconvincing. Nevertheless a brilliant audience headed by the Duke and Duchess of Fife and the Duke of Teck, and including many of the leading performers and writers of the stage, saw a novel and extremely interesting play."

As stated, local criticism of the play is as widely differing as could be imagined. Scenically and in the use of costumes and accessories the production is impressive, but in the form presented last night, the play was entirely too long. Nothing but the really superb acting of Miss Walsh in the later scenes kept a weary audience from losing its patience entirely.

Furthermore, horrors were heaped upon horrors in the loathsome picture of prison life. The preaching is out of balance with the thread of dramatic action, but seldom this season has there been so much intrinsic dramatic in a play. The scene which compelled a succession of constant shudders in the second act, which represented a woman's prison, crowded with wrecks of depraved humanity, the group of liquor-infused, cursing viragoes, empty-minded old women, was distressing in its realism.

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